

U. S. Marines Serve NOTS Since 1945

The missions and functions of the Marine Barracks at NOTS have changed very little since its commissioning on July 17, 1945, when a security force of 60 Marines was established to supplement the civilian Security Police.

From 1945 to 1947, little development took place, but in 1947, the Marine Corps Exchange facility was opened. During the next three years, more Marines were added to the Security force.

The organizational strength was raised to approximately 280 men. The Marine Corps Guided Missile Training Unit, consisting of approximately 50 men, came to NOTS in 1950, drawing on the Marine Barracks for certain logistic support.

In 1951, an Artillery Test Unit from Camp Pendleton was set up at Randsburg Wash., a part of NOTS. This unit consisted of approximately 25 men.

From 1951 to 1954, the organizational strength of Marine Barracks remained at approximately 250 men, but provided certain logistical and administrative support to some 850 Marines of the Medium Anti-Aircraft Missile Battalion which came to NOTS in 1954.

That same year, a Marine Corps Liaison Officer was sent to NOTS from Headquarters Marine Corps. He was under administrative control of Marine Barracks. Side-winder project M9C31 was established consisting of one officer and five enlisted men. TAD Marines had been working on this project since 1952.

In 1955 the organizational strength and the size of the Security



OFFICERS — Nine of the ten Marine officers at NOTS are shown as they discuss a tactical problem. Pictured (l-r) are: 1st. Lt. Donald C. Lee and 1st. Lt. Thomas M. Taggart, Guard Officers; Maj. Maurice Rose, Commanding Officer of the Marine Barracks; Maj. Robert A. Walker, Sidewinder Missile Gunnery Officer; Capt. James R. Tull, Executive Of-

ficer of the Marine Barracks; Maj. Leo Gerlach, Squadron Project and Research Officer; Capt. Willis D. Huddleston, Project Officer for Redeye Missile; Maj. Stanley H. Carpenter, Liaison Officer; and Capt. Alex Lee, Guard Officer. Absent is Maj. Hal W. Vincent, Squadron Project and Research Officer.

force of Marine Barracks was reduced to approximately 155 men while still supporting the MAAM Battalion, later known as the 1st Terrier Surface-to-Air Missile Battalion, in supply matters.

Then in 1956, on May 1, the Marine Corps Guided Missile Test Unit was formed consisting of six officers and 47 enlisted personnel. The SAM Battalion was relocated to Twenty-Nine Palms, California,

on June 1, 1956, now known as the 1st Medium Anti-Aircraft Missile Battalion.

During 1960 the Marine Corps Guided Missile Test Unit continued its activity in testing the equip-

ment used in connection with the Terrier Missile with which the Fleet Marine Force is equipped.

On June 30, GMTU had completed their last two projects and, with its mission completed, it was deactivated by directive from the Commandant of the Marine Corps. This ended four years of developmental and experimental work in support of the Terrier program.

The Redeye Engineering Evaluation Unit was established January 1, 1960, consisting of one Marine officer and two enlisted personnel.

Present missions of the Marine Corps at NOTS are to provide security for NOTS, China Lake; provide guard force for NOTS Brig, and provide additional security as directed for all short term military and emergency operations.

Functions of the Corps are to provide administrative supply and exchange facilities for personnel assigned to Marine Barracks, and to provide administrative and certain logistic support for Marines attached to research and development projects at NOTS.

The organizational structure of Marine Barracks and the support provided pertains only to the Barracks personnel and attached units which are: Barracks personnel — 5 officers, 114 enlisted; Sidewinder Group — 2 officers, 8 enlisted; Marine Liaison Officers — 2; Redeye Group — 1 officer, 2 enlisted. Total strength is presently 10 officers and 124 enlisted personnel.

The fluctuating history of the Marine Barracks has been somewhat dictated by the needs of the Station and the Marine Corps.

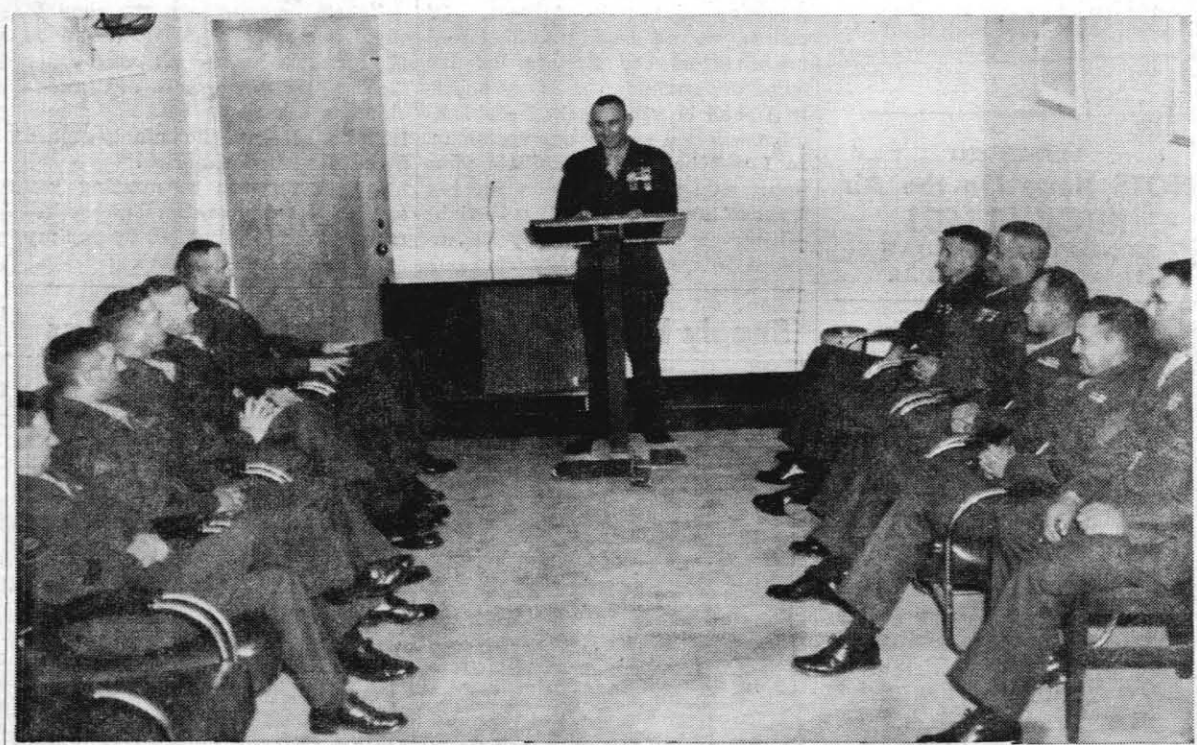


OFFICERS' BIRTHDAY BALL — Station Commander Capt. Charles Blenman Jr. watches as Maj. Leo Gerlach prepares to cut the traditional birthday cake at the Marine Officers' Ball. Distinguished guest at the gala event which highlighted the Leatherneck's 186th anniversary was Brig Gen. W. L. J. Bayler, USMC (Ret).

Officers and enlisted personnel of the United States Marine Corps at NOTS joined world-wide observance of the Corps' 186th birthday last Friday, November 10, with formal cake cutting ceremonies. Officers celebrated their anniversary at the Commissioned Officers Club and the enlisted personnel held their ceremonies at the Community Center.

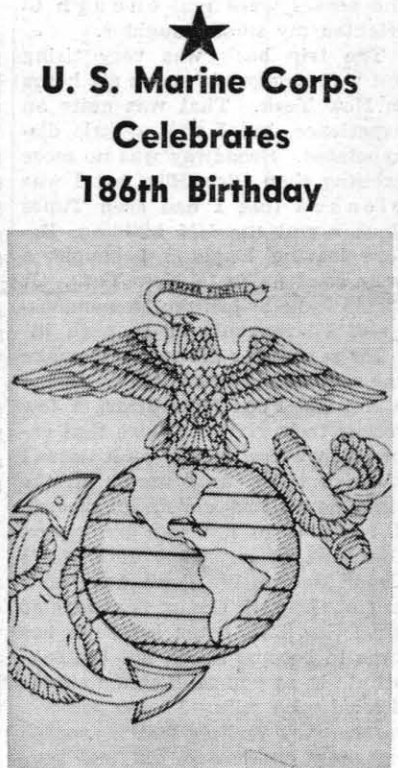
Officiating at the officers' cake cutting ceremony was Major Leo Gerlach, senior Marine officer at NOTS, and Major Maurice Rose, commanding officer of the Marine Barracks, officiated at the enlisted men's cake cutting ceremony. A special addition to the normal ceremony was the formal reinlistment of Pfc. Paul Gelet for a six year extension of active duty.

Honored guests at both birthday



STAFF NCO'S — Marine non-commissioned officers meet with M/Sgt. Frank D. Brandon (behind podium) for their weekly conference. Staff NCO's (seated l-r) are: Gy/Sgt. John A. Coryell, missile technician; Gy/Sgt. Orville E. Moreland, supply administrative chief; Gy/Sgt. Thomas J. Flynn, aviation ordnance man; S/Sgt. James M. Youngberg, guard NCO; S/Sgt. Howard E. Wallace, guard and train-

ing chief; Gy/Sgt. Harold A. Erwin, administrative chief; S/Sgt. Glen C. Woodall, Exchange chief; Gy/Sgt. Raybon Connor, aviation radar technician; M/Sgt. James S. Goff, aviation ordnance man; and Sgt. George Uribe, guard NCO. Absent are M/Sgt. Ben A. Tidwell, and Gy/Sgts. Joseph O. Thornton and Thomas K. Crawford. The initial Marine contingent arrived at NOTS on July 17, 1945.



U. S. Marine Corps Celebrates 186th Birthday



ENLISTED MEN'S BIRTHDAY BALL — Pfc. Paul Gelet (with back to camera) is sworn in for another six year enlistment by Maj. Maurice Rose, Commanding Officer of the Marine Barracks, with Capt. Blenman and M/Sgt. Frank D. Brandon as witnesses prior to the cake-cutting ceremonies at the Community Center.

celebrations were Station Commanding Officer, Captain Charles Blenman, Jr. and Mrs. Blenman; Technical Director Dr. Wm. E. McLean and Mrs. McLean; Executive Officer Capt. John A. Quensé Associate Technical Director H. G. Wilson and Mrs. Wilson.

Special honored guests from Santa Ana were Brig. Gen. W. L. J. Bayler, USMC, (ret.) and Mrs. Bayler. One of General Bayler's claims to fame was his book entitled "Last Man on Wake Island" based on his World War II experiences.

Dinner dancing followed cake cutting ceremonies for both groups.

The annual formal cake cutting celebration commemorates the founding of the Marine Corps in Philadelphia in 1775, and is celebrated by Marines the world over on November 10 each year.



Be more prompt to go to a friend in adversity than in prosperity.

The man who has never been licked probably was never in a fight.

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Give Now — the United Way United Fund Drive Aims To Be Short, But Brisk

With a United Fund goal of \$42,000 to meet in the Indian Wells Valley area by December 5, approximately 300 campaigners launched the community effort this week by distributing campaign kits to personnel in their assigned areas.

As the composite campaign combines seven major local health and welfare agencies into one appeal, eliminating duplication of effort, time, expense and annoyance of scores of separate campaigns, all residents are urged to respond with a "fair share" which is estimated at one day's pay, after taxes, this year.

United Fund officials feel confident that the established goal can be reached by 100 per cent participation based on the steady employment record of IWV residents.

All donors are reminded that the campaign is geared to be a short but lively one, therefore, the keymen solicitors rely on quick response to meet their report deadlines.

"Don't Be Missed"
Persons who have inadvertently been missed by their UF campaigners are urged to contact their appropriate department team captains to obtain campaign material or the name of their area campaigner.

Team captains in each department are listed as follows:

- Code 00, 01, 11, 15 — Dick Ruscollelli.
- Code 12 — Bill Veery.
- Code 17 — Dr. Herb Larsen.
- Code 18 — NAF LCdr. W. D. "Bill" Smith.
- Code 25 — Noel Lynn.
- Code 30 — John Dipol.
- Code 35 — Joe Dinsmore.
- Code 40 — Eldon Williams.
- Code 45 — Norman Rumpff.
- Code 50 — Bill Steele.
- Code 55 — Ted Lotsee.
- Code 65 — Ed Swerski.
- Code 70 — Al Wacker.
- Code 75 — Carolyn Kruse.
- Code 85 — Cdr. W. H. Burns.
- VX-5 — Ensign Ronald Patterson.
- GMU-25 — Lt (jg) William Lockie.
- Marine Barracks — 1st. Lt. Donald Lee.
- NOTS Enlisted Personnel, Commissary, Dental and Medical Departments — Lt. Carl Vancil.
- Support Activities — Jerry Ray (Code 7083).

Disaster Survival Topic Defines Mine Shelters

"Mines can give 100 per cent protection from fallout," stated Dr. Carl F. Austin at the CAP disaster survival meeting held at the Richmond School last Tuesday evening.

Dr. Austin stated that mines would give complete protection against the initial burst of radiation from a bomb. Mines will give complete protection from thermal effects and can be easily fixed to give complete protection if the entrance is partially barricaded and if the mine is more than a mile or two from ground zero at the time of a five megaton burst.

"In a mine," he asserted, "there is absolutely no hazard from radiation caused by fallout, but mines can kill you with their own inherent hazards."

Hazards Named
The most common hazard in old mines is simple lack of oxygen. A candle or small oil lamp should be used to test the air. If they burn, then there is enough oxygen present for a person to live.

"Don't build fires in mines because they use up the oxygen and give off carbon monoxide which can be fatal in a short time. Either a canary or a commercial monoxide detector are good protection against this hazard."

"Don't bang on timbers or pick loose rocks from cave walls as this may start a cave-in."

"Don't drink water found in a mine. Ninety-nine per cent of it is contaminated."

"Don't panic if you become lost in a mine. Be calm and systematic in your walking around."

"Snakes present a real hazard in old mines. Be on the alert."

Bats, mice and rats, which are common in mines, carry rabies. Don't handle them.

"Although mines provide excellent protection from fallout radiation, you will need a reliable supply of fresh air, freedom from cave-in and falling hazards," he reiterated. "A mine or backyard shelter will not guarantee survival, but if used reasonably, it will protect you from most hazards arising from atomic attacks, either local or distant," he concluded.

Station Confers Seven Thompson Awards at Luncheon Ceremony

The official NOTS Advisory Board and two distinguished guests from the Bureau of Naval Weapons met yesterday to honor seven recipients of the L. T. E. Thompson Award, citing their outstanding contributions toward fulfillment of the Station's mission.

Preceding the award ceremony, his contribution to the formulation and implementation of the Free-Fall conventional ordnance program."

William S. McEwan
"for his outstanding role in organizing the Station's program in chemical research, his maintenance of top-level productivity within that organization, and his directing of that research toward the Station's mission in regard to propellant systems for missiles. In addition, his publications in thermochemistry have brought him and the Station world recognition and have contributed to the advanced knowledge of chemistry."

Lawrence W. Nichols
"for his singular achievements, extensive investigations, and precise analyses in the field of infrared research, specifically his investigations relative to IR radiations of targets and IR missile guidance systems."

Dr. N. E. Ward accepted the award for Larry Nichols who is presently on a year's assignment in England as an exchange scientist attached to the staff of the Royal Radar Establishment.

Douglas J. Wilcox
"for his leadership and technical contributions to the field of underwater weapon systems and especially for the ability displayed in the integration of a Navy-wide and industrial team for the successful accomplishment of the ASROC program."

Today concludes a rigorous three-day schedule of tours, ordnance demonstrations review, and top-level conferences for Advisory Board members. Composed of eminent industrialists and scientists, the Board has rendered thirteen years of invaluable consultation services pertaining to the Station's projects and projected plans.

Francis M. Fulton
"for outstanding leadership in directing NOTS efforts to new areas of propulsion applied research and his initiative in exploring potentials in the field of limited warfare weaponry."

Frank E. Botbwell
"for his vital contribution to the currently accepted concepts of a submarine-launched ballistic missile system. His work as Head, Weapons Planning Group at NOTS was eminently instrumental in emphasizing the Polaris concept, including a great amount of detail on warhead and weapon requirements for strategic targeting."

Leonard T. Jagiello
"for his intuitive grasp of complex aerodynamic problems involved in the torque-balance canard control system, which has resulted in the successful design of a functioning airframe operating with constant gain over the full range of dynamic pressures."

Franklin H. Knemeyer
"for his significant technical contributions, leadership, and guidance on weapon-system development and

Rocketeer Deadline Earlier Next Week

Due to the Thanksgiving holiday next Thursday, November 23, the Rocketeer deadline for news will be Monday at 4:30 p.m. instead of Tuesday. Issues will be distributed on Friday as usual.

Licwinko Hired As Technical Assistant



Leonard S. Licwinko reported to NOTS this week from the Bureau of Naval Weapons at Washington, D. C., to fill the position of Technical Assistant (Code 1501) to H. G. Wilson, Associate Technical Director. This vacancy was created when Harold Metcalf accepted the duties of Assoc. Head for the Weapons Development Department.

Licwinko received a B.S. in electrical engineering from the University of Illinois; completed a two-year course in electronics engineering and physics at the Naval Postgraduate School, Annapolis, Maryland; and more recently pursued engineering administration studies at George Washington University, Washington, D. C.

Living in the desert will not be a new experience, having spent one year at China Lake as an exchange engineer. With him now are his wife, Marion, John 14, Mary Lou, 12, and Amy, 9.

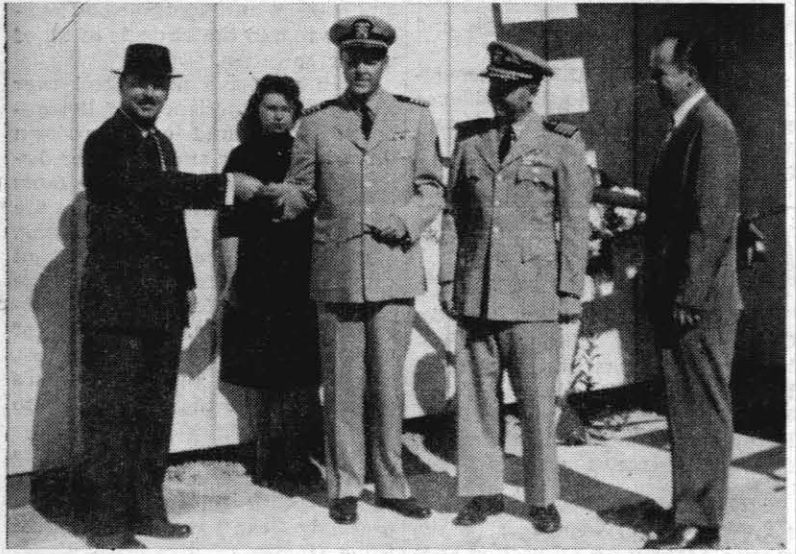
A registered professional engineer in the District of Columbia, he is also an AOA member, past president of the BuOrd Association of Engineers and Scientists, holds the rank of Commander in the Naval Reserve, and was Chairman of a Boy Scout Troop Committee.

Community Council Precinct 10 Run-off Names Bearman

A run-off election between candidates Frank Wentink and Harry Bearman from Precinct No. 10 was held last Tuesday, November 14, to break the tie from the regular China Lake Community Council election results of November 7. Bearman won by a significant margin, in the total 88 votes cast.

A task group attached to the Recreation Committee was selected at last Tuesday night's meeting to investigate the feeling of Station residents in the possibility of obtaining a soda fountain for the Bennington Plaza area. Earlier inquiries on the subject met with meager interest, but the general reaction at Tuesday night's meeting was to probe further when the motion was made to drop the survey.

Newly elected directors of the Council will be installed at the next meeting scheduled for November 28 in the Community Center.



KEYS TO CAPEHARTS — The first increment of 86 Capehart homes were accepted by the Station last week. Keys to the model homes were turned over officially at the ribbon-cutting ceremonies by Leo Martin (l) project manager for the Bateson Construction Company, to Captain Davidson as Captain Blenman, C. J. Fallgatter, and Bateson office employee Marilyn Wick stand by.



CAPEHARTS OPEN — Ribbon-cutting ceremonies at 61-B Burroughs Avenue last Saturday noon launched the Open House of six model homes in the new Capehart Housing Project at NOTS. Officiating (l-r) are: Captain B. A. Davidson, Public Works Officer; Captain Charles Blenman, Jr., Station Commander; and C. J. Fallgatter, NOTS Housing Administrator.

Capehart Open House



AVEN'S MODEL HOME — The ultra modern theme of decor displayed by Aven's Furniture at 58-B Burroughs Avenue inspired thousands of viewers during the Capehart Open House held last Saturday and Sunday afternoon.



RIZZARDINI DISPLAY — Terri Andreassen reflects on the possibilities of this ideal little girl's bedroom in the Rizzardini Home Furnishings model home in contemporary design located at 54-B Burroughs.



PAT AND ROY'S DECOR — Frank Lemons of Pat and Roy's Home Furnishings points to the modern carvings which updates the early American decor theme of the Capehart model home at 56-B Burroughs Avenue.

PROMOTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Present Station employees are encouraged to apply for the positions listed below. Applications should be accompanied by an up-to-date Form 58. The fact that positions are advertised here does not preclude the use of other means to fill these vacancies.

Clerk-Typist, GS-4, Code 40502—Performs general office clerical duties. Accounting experience is desirable.

Mechanical Engineer (Ordnance), GS-9 or GS-11, PD 04015Aml-1, Code 4054—Primary duties involve work on the S W motor, e.g., interior ballistics, design of propellant casting, etc.

Aeronautical Research, Development and Design Engineer, GS-9 or GS-11, PD 140010-1, Code 4054—Duties involve airframe structural stress analysis; development, test, and evaluation of an igniter for the S W single stage motor.

Secretary (Typing), GS-3, PD 089001, Code 881—Performs secretarial, clerical and supervisory duties.

File applications for above positions with Iris Ortega, Room 34, Personnel Building, Phone 712032.

Laborer, Heavy, 1st step \$2.37 p/h, 3rd step \$2.57 p/h, Code 70442—Performs any one or a combination of a large variety of unskilled or low skilled tasks, requiring predominantly physical exertion of a heavy or arduous type.

Electrician, 1st step \$3.02 p/h, 3rd step \$3.28 p/h, Code 70431—Lays out, assembles, installs, tests, maintains, and repairs electrical fixtures, apparatus, control equipment, and wiring used in the alarm, radio communication, light and power systems of buildings, overhauls motors, constructs electrical indicating and recording instruments.

Welder, 1st step \$3.02 p/h, 3rd step \$3.28 p/h, Code 70422—Performs electric arc welding oxyacetylene welding. Welds plates, bars, pipes, machine parts, heavy plate, pressure vessels and other materials ranging in thickness up to two inches. Work performed inside or outside of shop. Works from drawings and specifications.

Chauffeur, 1st step \$2.56 p/h, 3rd step \$2.78 p/h, Code 7078—Drives vehicles usually on a specific trip basis or occasionally on a regular established schedule and routes to transport personnel within an activity, or between an activity and outside points. Minimum age 21.

Secretary (Typing), GS-4, PD 05029, Code 551—Branch secretary. Review incoming correspondence, log official correspondence, compose and prepare technical correspondence and official letters, performs miscellaneous functions.

File applications for above positions with Wilma Smith, Room 31, Personnel Building, Phone 71393.

Clerk-Typist or DMT, GS-4, PD 12887, Code 454—Local in the Personnel Dept. Provides secretarial, clerical, and stenographic support. Has coordinating responsibility for the new employee orientation program.

Aero. Rocket Power Pl. Devel. Engr. Supv., GS-13, PD 31655—Planning and Administration of current programs and studies of proposals for future work technical participation in propulsion research and experimental design; reporting; training.

Machinist (Maintenance), \$3.02 to \$3.28 p/h, Code 4553—Overhauls, repairs, and installs various types of machines and machinery installations, such as machine shop equipment, power plant equipment, laundry and forge shop machinery, large pumping plant equipment, aircraft handling and testing equipment, and ordnance plant machinery.

Accounting Technician, GS-4 or GS-5, PD 017017, Code 1762—Located in the Cost & Analysis Branch of the Accounting Division. Provides payroll, accounting and cost performance analysis for individual departments.

Fiscal Accounting Clerk, GS-4 or GS-5, PD 18461, Code 1762—Located in the Cost & Analysis Branch of the Accounting Division, coordinates and works on Payroll Reports in the Payroll Reports Section.

File applications for above positions with Dixie Shanahan, Room 26, Personnel Building, Phone 72276. Deadline for all applications—11-24-61.

NAS, Moffett Field Safety Officer, GS-018-11 — Administers Ground Safety Program and acts as Safety Staff Advisor to a number of tenant activities. Directs accident prevention program. Qualifications contained in CSC Handbook X-118. Send Form 57 to Industrial Relations Officer, NAS, Moffett Field, California. Vacancy starts December 10. Male only.

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Danger of Dump Area Treks Cited
Station Security Police have received numerous complaints in the last few weeks from the superintendent of the dump area about his difficulty in keeping children out of the area.
Adults have also been noticed entering the area without authorization. The need is urgent to restrain children and unauthorized adults from wandering around because of the existence of old pits that have been covered with dirt but are still smoldering underneath the dirt and could possibly cave in with the weight of a person.
There is also the ever present danger of combustible material igniting and causing injury to trespassers.
Parents are urged to restrain children from this dangerous area. Adults should be advised by the superintendent on the areas to be avoided.

Annual Book Fair Opens Tonight at Murray School

Have you ever seen a child's look of wonderment when he reads his first sentence? You can witness the same expression when the youngsters view a world of pressed satisfaction with the work of the various committees. Wanda Shomate and Polly Emerson coordinated school activities with the Fair; Ruth Farrington and Doris McInlave of the Oasis Garden Club prepared the floral arrangements and Betty Jane Leonard heads the hostess committee.

The attractive displays are the handiwork of Bruce Haig, Ethel Ritchie, Blanche Braspenick, Beverly Maxwell, Connie DeLeon, Lorraine McClung, Francis Kus and Dorothy Mallory.

Two books will be given as door prizes and the winners may select their preference. The event is open to the entire community.

Girl Scout Troop 346, led by Nan Hulse, will present several "Story Time" sessions throughout the day on Saturday, as an added attraction for the younger set.

Frank DeLeon and Carl Morley, co-chairmen for the event, have expressed their appreciation to the members throughout the U. S., is currently in progress. All proceeds are used to enhance recreational programs at veterans' hospitals throughout the country.

California bowlers consistently lead the nation in support of this event; their last year's contribution surpassing the \$40,000 mark. No other state came within \$30,000 of this figure!

Joyce Vrooman, IWV Chairman, states that appropriate material has been distributed to all league secretaries. All female keglers are asked to participate.

Over thirty young bowlers turned out last Saturday for their first week of competitive bowling at the Anchorage Alley and posted some outstanding individual scratch games and series.

High series went to Dale Johnson with a 461 followed by Rodney Buck's 433. Third place is held by Richard Drozdowicz with a 412. High game was snagged by James McClellan with a beautiful 183. Dale Johnson was close at his heels

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What's Doing In Recreation

From the Special Services Office.

A packed house is anticipated for tonight's adult Station dance. Reservation were filled the early part of the week and those persons having reservations are urged to claim their table no later than 9:30 p.m.

The monthly meeting of the Desert Art League will be held next Wednesday at the Community Center. A short business meeting will precede the program which will begin at 8:30 p.m.

John Drow, Burroughs art instructor, will be the featured speaker, exhibiting approximately 20 oil paintings and 6 drawings. His talk will encompass his work, its meaning, and the philosophy behind it. A '61 Sweepstakes winner in the adult professional classification at the Kern County Art Festival, he has been selected as county chairman for next year's event.

Winners of last Monday's cribbage tournament were Whitey Garrett and George Wright, both from A.O.D. Runners-up were Steve Lee from Propulsion Development and Owen Harris from Test Dept. The final cribbage tourney of the year will be held December 11.

Broadway Theatre League Kern County's Broadway Theatre League have reported a highly successful 1960-61 season, bringing to Bakersfield "The Pleasure of His Company" with Joan Bennett and Donald Cook; "Once Upon a Mattress" with Imogene Coco and Edward Everett Horton; "The Andersonville Trial" and the Pulitzer prize winning "Fiorella."

The cities of Taft, Shafter, Wasco, Delano, Arvin and Tehachapi are represented on the League's Board and interested persons throughout the county are invited to join the membership.

Scheduled productions for 1961-62 are "Critic's Choice" with Jeffrey Lynn and Wanda Hendricks, in January; "A Thurbur Carnival" with Imogene Coco, King Donovan and Arthur Treacher, in February; "The Best Man" comes in March; and the hilarious "Bye Bye Birdie" in April.

Memberships for this season are now available; no single seats will be sold. Seats are priced from \$2.50 to \$9. For more info, write Judy Clausen, P. O. Box 1676, Bakersfield.

Winners of the ladies flight with a net score of 71 and Ed Attkisson won the mens division with a net score of 68. Tied for runner-up in the ladies division were Vera Greenfield and Carolyn Kruse. Prize winners in the mens flight were: Harold Turner, Frank Sims, John Russell, Larry Delancey, Vern Wilson, Jim Peck, Bob Kochman and Jim Campbell.

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News From Pasadena

Englishman Lauds Issue of Rocketeer

(Ed. note: In September, NOTS Pasadena hosted six British visitors. During their visit, they were entertained one evening by Nova and Leonard Semyon and Carney and Joe Kramer with a California-style barbecue. The following letter comes from Squadron Leader R. W. White of the Royal Air Force.)

Dear Mrs. Semyon: I was very pleased when I received your letter and of course, I now consider the "Rocketeer" to be the greatest newspaper in the world. It was the only one to record my visiting the United States.

Of course, we all enjoyed ourselves immensely and now that we have all gone our various ways here in England, I'm sure that we shall always recall with very great pleasure, the happy evening we spent with you. I'd love to introduce my wife to a typical barbecue, but this morning we had a thick frost all over the ground, and for days it's been raining and getting more like our usual winter. So you see how impossible it would be.

My cine films have been processed and I have tried to show the family a little of America—as I saw it. My shots of Pasadena must have been taken on the lead-in portion of the film because they aren't there, but I did manage to get that wonderful sign in the shop window, near the path which leads from "Bobs" to NOTS — 'Gone Fishing.' I also managed to film some of the jungle river trip at Disneyland and the scenes were real enough to frighten my small daughter.

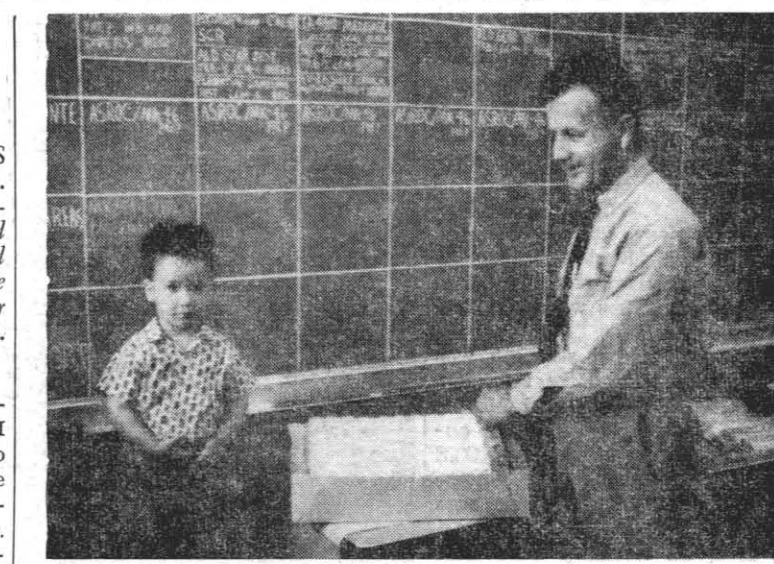
The trip back was very tiring but we managed to spend six hours in New York. That was quite an experience, but I was a little disappointed. Broadway was no more exciting than Piccadilly, but I was pleased that I had seen Times Square and the UN building. Before leaving England I bought a very good guide to New York. It would have helped me tremendously—if I'd remembered to pack it.

My search for the recipe to make the marvelous dip, which we tasted at the Sea Food Restaurant, a few blocks from NOTS (I love that expression 'a few blocks' — it doesn't mean a thing, so I use it all the time now), has ended in success. I found it in my own pantry on the back of a packet of Lipton's Onion Soup. We don't have sour cream (English Cream is always so good that it is eaten before it has time to become sour), but the substitute is, as you said, cream cheese diluted with milk. I hope you will inform your readers that the search has now ended and the real purpose of our visit to the States achieved.

I haven't seen any of the rest of my companions since we parted company at London Airport. Of course, we all belong to different branches of the Service, so it's quite understandable. Very shortly, I shall be visiting the Establishment wherein resides our Scotsman, so I will be able to confirm your impression that Scotsmen have a sense of humour. You must be right—however else could they be induced to wear a kilt?

Once again, thank you for a very delightful evening and the copy of the Rocketeer. The latter will be filed away with my Will and other Deeds, just to prove to my grandchildren that long before Great Britain became the ninety-eighth State, I visited America.

I look forward to meeting you again, in the meantime please remember me to all at NOTS and my regards to the Kraemers.



RETIREES — Chief Thomas Duncan is aided by his son, Glen, 2 1/2, as he cuts a cake presented by fellow employees at NOTS on the occasion of his retirement early this month. He leaves the Service after 19 years and 9 months, most recently with the Operations Office at Foothill.

Chief Duncan Ends Navy Career With Plans to Manage Apartment House

After 19 years and nine months in the Navy, Chief Thomas Duncan early this month left the Service on retirement. He has been with NOTS since the beginning of the Station's work on Polaris, first aboard the USS BUTTERNUT, then at Long Beach where he was in charge of the maintenance of NOTS boats, and since August with the Operations Office at Foothill.

Originally from New Jersey, he graduated from high school in San Diego. Following in his father's footsteps, also a Navy man, he joined the Service in May 1942.

Duty stations have been at Pearl Harbor, on the attack transport USS CAVALIER, USS MERAPI, in San Francisco, and Boston. He was at Eniwetok during the atomic tests.

Medals include American Theater, Asiatic Theater with one star, China Service, Japanese Occupation, and World War II.

Now that he's retiring, he plans to manage a 47-unit apartment house in San Gabriel where he will reside with his wife, Darlene, and two and one-half year old son Glen.

If you visit Great Britain again next year, I do hope that you will come to see me. My wife would very much like to meet you and I should enjoy renewing our very brief acquaintance. I can't offer the attractions of Disneyland, but we are quite near London and only forty minutes by rail, the Underground (I'm not quite sure what you call your equivalent, subway I believe).

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WILL PRESENT PAPERS — Dr. Bertwin Langenecker (l) and W. H. Frandsen, both Research Department scientists, are scheduled to speak at a meeting of the American Physical Society to be held next week at the University of Chicago. Dr. Langenecker's paper is entitled "Strength and Dislocation Network in Zinc Crystals Grown in a Sonic Field." Frandsen will present a paper entitled "The Geometry and Orientation of Zinc Crystals Grown in a Sonic Field."

Sports Slants

The Bowler's Victory Legion, an annual tourney conducted by WIBC members throughout the U. S., is currently in progress. All proceeds are used to enhance recreational programs at veterans' hospitals throughout the country.

California bowlers consistently lead the nation in support of this event; their last year's contribution surpassing the \$40,000 mark. No other state came within \$30,000 of this figure!

Joyce Vrooman, IWV Chairman, states that appropriate material has been distributed to all league secretaries. All female keglers are asked to participate.

Over thirty young bowlers turned out last Saturday for their first week of competitive bowling at the Anchorage Alley and posted some outstanding individual scratch games and series.

High series went to Dale Johnson with a 461 followed by Rodney Buck's 433. Third place is held by Richard Drozdowicz with a 412. High game was snagged by James McClellan with a beautiful 183. Dale Johnson was close at his heels

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