

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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SHOWBOAT

FRI. APRIL 19

"THE BURNING HILLS"
Tab Hunter, Natalie Wood
7 p.m. (Out at 9 p.m.)
(Western in Color) A rough and tough, no-holds-barred story of a cowpoke who rightfully shoots a cattle-baron and is hunted by the latter's gang. Two of the greatest fist-fights ever filmed! Don't miss!

(Adults and Young People)
SHORT: "Million-Hare" (7 Min.)
"Vikings Playground" (9 Min.)

SAT. APRIL 20

-MATINEE-
"THE PALOMINO"
Jerome Courtland
1 p.m. (Out at 2:33 p.m.)
SHORT: "Popcorn Story" (7 Min.)
"King of Carnival" (13 Min.)

-EVENING-

"THE SERGEANT WAS A LADY"
Martin West, Venetia Stevenson, Bill Williams
7 p.m. (Out at 9 p.m.)
(Comedy) A howl results when processors goof and send an Army technician to a lonely island manned only by WAGs. One man vs 125 women win the war game!

(Adults and Young People)

SHORT: "Room and Bird" (7 Min.)
"South of Himalayas" (17 Min.)

SUN.-MON. APRIL 21-22

"THE YOUNG SAVAGES"
Burt Lancaster, Shelley Winters
7 p.m. (Out at 9:05 p.m.)
(Drama) Assistant DA prosecutes three boys who are charged with a gang murder and the case gains political importance. The attorney and his wife are faced with threats from the gang and "City Hall," before trial's end. A serious and penetrating problem of today - delinquency, the largest social problem.

SHORT: "When Fish Fight" (10 Min.) (Adult)

TUES.-WED. APRIL 23-24

"THE PASSWORD IS COURAGE"
Dirk Bogarde, Alfred Lynch
7 p.m. (Out at 9:05 p.m.)
(Comedy-Drama) Based on true life story of a POW who dedicated himself to torment his German captors, this tells how he blows up a munition train, fires a lumber yard, etc. All while captive and in humorous vein. Here's a POW they didn't want! (Family)

THURS.-FRI. APRIL 25-26

"SAMSON AND THE SEVEN MIRACLES OF THE WORLD"
Gordon Scott, Yoko Tani
7 p.m. (Out at 9:12 p.m.)
(Adventure) Samson joins the rebels who revolt from the tyranny of a tartar tyrant who murdered the emperor and tries to kill the young prince. Spectacular feats of strength and action arouse the people. (Family)

SHORT: "Cat-tails for Two" (7 Min.)
"Navy Screen Highlights" (18 Min.)

COMING ATTRACTIONS

APRIL 27 - "The Errand Boy"

APRIL 28-29 - "The Last Time I Saw Archie"

APRIL 30-May 1 - "SANTIAGO"



CHIEF YEOMAN FRANCIS J. SECORD returns salute of fellow chiefs during retirement ceremonies at VX-5's Captain's Personnel Inspection. Chief Secord transferred to the Naval Fleet Reserve after 22 years of honorable service. He was presented a letter of appreciation from Project Officers endorsed by VX-5 Command.

Community News

ROARING 20's DANCE AT CO CLUB

A ROARING 20's dancing party will be held at the Commissioned Officers Club tonight. Dinner will be served from 7 p.m. till 10:00 p.m. Dancing to the famed five-piece "Dixie Crats" who have been appearing in Bakersfield will be from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Prizes will be given for best costumes.

PHOTO SOCIETY SCHEDULES TWO SHOWS

The China Lake Photographic Society wishes to invite the public to a color slide show, Monday, 8:00 p.m., at the Community Center. Subject of the show is our newest state, Hawaii. Color photography show prepared and presented by Dean and Fay Couch of China Lake. Wednesday at 7 p.m. the Photographic Society and the Desert Art League are to have a joint meeting at the Community Center. The public is also invited to this meeting. Color slides of Peruvian, Chinese and South Pacific art will be shown by Mrs. Fred Block of Los Angeles.

NURSES CLUB TO HOLD MEETING

The Nurses Club of Indian Wells Valley will meet Monday, April 22nd in the Community Center at 7:30 p.m. There will be a movie on Military Nurses and also a talk by a Navy Nurse. All RN's and all students interested in a career of nursing are cordially invited to attend.

LAST OF THE CHILDREN'S CONCERT SERIES

The Desert Community Orchestra's concert on Saturday, April 27, at 1:30 in the Station Theatre will terminate the 1962-1963 Children's Concert Series sponsored by The Music Parents Club of China Lake. There will be a general admission charge of 25 cents for those not having season tickets. The concert will feature "The Moldau" by Smetana, "Night on Bald Mountain" by Moussorgsky, "Dance of the Clowns" from the opera "Sneгурotchka" by N. Rimsky-Korsakov, and "The Man Who Invented Music" by D. Gillis.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS WEEK BANQUET

A string trio of Vieweg School teachers will entertain at the Public Schools Week banquet at Murray Cafeteria next Wednesday, April 24. Mrs. Winona Kirk plays cello, Mrs. Mary Bischof is violinist and Mrs. Eloise Lewis will be at the piano. Tickets are available at schools, or you may purchase them at the door.

BURROUGHS HIGH P-TA MEETING

The next meeting of the Burroughs High P-TA will be held on April 25 at 7 p.m. in the library of Burroughs High School. A short meeting, 7:00-7:30 p.m., will be held to introduce new officers and then P-TA members will participate in the open house and fashion show.

CHI ALPHA RUMMAGE SALE

A rummage sale from which the proceeds will go for a scholarship for some student of the area will be held by the Chi Alpha Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi tomorrow from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. between Reed's Department Store and Mary Sue's.

GARDEN CLUB SLATES FLOWER SHOW

"Passport to Flowers" is the theme of the fifth annual standard flower show sponsored by the Oasis Garden Club which will be held on Saturday and Sunday, April 27-28, at the Community Center.

Entry blanks are available at the Ridgecrest Library, the Station Library, and the Community Center.

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OVERFLOW CROWD PACKS CENTER FOR OPEN FORUM



NOTS FROM UNDER THE SEA TO THE STARS

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NAVAL ORDNANCE TEST STATION, CHINA LAKE, CALIFORNIA

Fri., April 19, 1963

Hear Rumors Squelched by Fact-Finders

(Report submitted by the Community Study Committee.)

An overflow crowd of China Lake citizens attended the China Lake Community Council "Open Forum" at the Community Center last Tuesday night.

Bill Hattabaugh, president of the Community Council and member of the Community Study Committee opened the forum by stating, "We have invited this committee here this evening for the purpose of living up to our commitments. You will have an opportunity tonight to express some of your concerns; ask questions of the committee and perhaps leave here with a better understanding of the importance the Council places on your influence in its affairs."

Hattabaugh continued by stating that the purpose of the 22 directors on the board of the Community Council was to reflect the desires and wishes of their constituents to the Community Study Committee and Station management.

Bob Biller, chairman of the committee, introduced the committee members, which included Dr. G. S. Colladay, Kenneth Heyhoe, William Hattabaugh, Cdr. K. F. Williams, and Lt. F. O. Leavitt, who was absent due to illness.

Keyhoe Opens Discussion

Kenneth Heyhoe opened the discussion by stating that the purpose of the Community Study Committee reflects the continuing concern of Dr. McLean and Captain Blenman for the welfare and morale of the community. Further, they desire to consider the advantages and shortcomings of the current situation and possible alternatives for optimizing the relationship between NOTS and the community of China Lake.

Squelches Rumors

Bob Biller listed seven rumors (Continued on Page 3)

Clubs Outgrow Meeting Halls On the Station

China Lake community organizations have a growing problem: where to hold meetings and conduct club activities.

Acknowledging the problem by letter to one organization recently, Command officials pointed out that "while local club memberships have continued to grow, facilities have diminished."

Authorities said the Community Center, operated by the Special Services department, scheduled 42 meetings monthly for 25 clubs with an average attendance of 2300. Add 14 quarterly or annual special events, such as senior prom, flower show, banquets, dances and the like, plus an average of three meetings per day, and you get a good example of maximum space utilization.

Some Buildings to Close

Community Relations has 25 buildings currently assigned for use by 38 organizations with some 2000 members participating in regularly scheduled activities.

Nine of these buildings will soon be closed for use by local clubs.

Clubs using the remaining 16 buildings will be required to provide custodial services. Organizations holding one-time meetings will not be allowed use of the buildings because of resulting custodial problems.

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NAF Helicopter Rescues Downed AF, Army Pilots

A pair of Navy pilots based at China Lake's Naval Air Facility played prominent roles in the rescue of an Air Force pilot who ejected from his plane last Friday afternoon near Bicycle Lake, some 90 miles north of here.

Rescue planes of the Army, Navy and Air Force were thrown into the mercy mission before the downed pilot was plucked from a mountain top by the China Lake rescue helicopter.

Lt. John R. Hertel, pilot, and his co-pilot, Lt. C. Doug Jasper, said a Hamilton Air Force pilot ejected from his plane, an F-104, at about 10,000 feet.

His distress signals, picked up by NAF, authorities, brought rescue units from an Army installation at Bicycle Lake, and George Air Force Base.

The Army helicopter crashed attempting to rescue the downed pilot, they said.

The Air Force helicopter failing to locate the pilot.

"That left us to rescue both the Air Force pilot who originally sent out the distress signal, plus the Army helicopter pilot, who had crashed attempting his pick-up," commented Hertel.

Serving as plane crewmen for the NAF-based copter was Daniel E. Hall, ADR2.

The NAF copter returned both crash victims to their home bases.



NAF PILOT LT. JOHN R. HERTEL and Co-Pilot Lt. C. Doug Jasper give thumbs-up signal after rescuing both an Air Force pilot who had ejected from his jet near Bicycle Lake, and an Army helicopter pilot who had crashed in attempting rescue.

Seminary Students' Rocket In Successful Shot Here

A four-man team of college scientists successfully launched a single-stage, high altitude rocket from test facilities here last Tuesday, ending a class project that had begun in January 1962.

Designed and built by students at St. John's Seminary College, Camarillo, the 59-inch rocket rose to nearly 10,000 feet.

Working on the class project were Los Angeles area youths Theodore R. Howard, 20, John Gremer, 20, Norman A. Supancheck, 20 and Thomas R. McKay, 20.

Fr. Robert E. Wood, CM, physics instructor at St. John's and class project director, said the rocket was propelled by a zinc-sulphur compound and was designed for upper atmosphere studies.

Station officials, cooperating with the school, offered the use of its test ranges for the experimental project. J. R. Peterson and Jesse O. Bankston, China Lake scientists, supervised the launch preparations.

The next class project, according to Fr. Wood, will be the de-

sign and development of a two and three stage missile with build-in guidance and telemetry devices.

Field Trip Set For Museum Members

Maturango Museum members will hold a field trip Saturday, April 27, visiting an old Indian village and petroglyphs, according to Ken Robinson.

Those making the trip are requested to make reservations prior to Wed. April 24, through Mrs. Thomas Phipps at 724143, or Robinson at 71349.

The day-long trip will leave from the Museum parking lot. Water and food for each member making the trip will be required.

Painting, Reroofing Contract Awards For Station Units

Contracts have been let of \$63,463 for exterior painting of old Normacs and Hawthornes and \$91,987 for reroofing of various family housing units.

The announcement was made by RAdm. J. R. Davis, O-in-C of Construction and Director, Southwest Division, Bureau of Yards and Docks, San Diego.

The painting contract involves 342 single family units and 52 duplexes.

Public Works Officer Capt. R. A. Davidson will represent the 11ND Office as Officer in Charge of Construction while the work is in progress.

'No Accident Day'

RAdm. Almon E. Loomis, Com11nd, has proclaimed April 30 as "No Accident Day" in the San Diego area, but requests that all personnel throughout the entire District be extra cautious, courteous and alert while driving on that day to help make the observance a success.



NEW BROWNIE TROOP 172 held its investiture ceremony recently at the Girl Scout Hut. Eighteen youngsters are members

of the new troop of the Joshua Tree Council. Here, Troop Leader E. Gladys Radeck listens to one of them recite the oath.

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

Functions of The Family

By Father Joseph A. Costa, O. F. M.



The major function of the family, all of which spring from the purpose of marriage, include the generation of children and their adequate education—physical, intellectual, religious and moral. The carrying out of these functions demands that parents not only fulfill their duties as educators, but also that they maintain a wholesome home environment. The atmosphere of the home must be such that children may develop in happiness therein, secure in their parents' love and care.

If one would desire to incorporate these functions in a somewhat complete blueprint for the ideal family, he might say that this family, broadly speaking, would be one established in accordance with God's laws; one whose members strive for identical natural and supernatural goals; one whose spirit breathes forth faith, trust, charity, obedience and prayerfulness; one whose relationships, both within the family and without, reflect love, consideration and helpfulness.

We can perhaps best appreciate what the genuine ideal family is by trying to picture it in operation in the representative home. The worthy home finds a true family abiding therein and growing in love and care for one another. This home is not constructed in prefabricated fashion in a few weeks or a few years — because it is not purely material. Its true character is achieved not through plaster and paint and sanitary plumbing, but through love and sweat and tears. It is a framework trimmed with remembered moments of joy; cemented by hours of suffering. It is a reflection of the personalities of those who dwell therein, an expression of their likes and dislikes. The true home is an altar of sacrifice and a theatre of comedies and drama; it is a place of work and a haven of rest.

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.

Auditor, GS-7, 9 or 11, Code 177 — Incumbent will serve as Internal Auditor in the Internal Review Division under the supervision of the Head of the Division. Performs and assists in the conduct of diversified internal reviews of the financial and operating activities of the Station, its Pasadena Annex and San Clemente Island.

Accounting Technician, GS-5, Code 1762 — The incumbent of this position is responsible for performing payroll, accounting and cost and performance analysis for individual department or departments.

File Applications for Above Positions with: Mary Watts, Bldg. 34, Room 28, Ext. 72723.

Clerk (DMT), GS-4, PD 13788Aml, Code 5563 — Serves as secretary for two branches (Weapons Application Branch, 5561 and Weapons Branch, 5563), types correspondence and reports, acts as office receptionist and serves as secretary for personnel of each branch.

File Application for above position with: Pat Dettling, Bldg. 34, Rm. 31, Ext. 71393.

Staff Nurse, GS-610-5 or 6, PD 17399-1 or 17398-3, Code 8822 — General Nursing Care. Electrician, \$3.13 to \$3.39, Code 3072 — Sets up, installs, and operates electrical fire control equipment, and programming systems, and the electrical phases of test vehicle propulsion systems, test vehicle electrical systems, and remote control wiring systems for instrumentation.

File applications for above positions with: Mary Morrison, Bldg. 34, Room 34, Ext. 72032. Deadline for applications is April 26.

COMPETITIVE EXAMS

CHINA LAKE
Two competitive promotional examinations are being held at China Lake for the following positions:

Head, Scrap Materials Sorter, \$6,115-20, \$6,354-30, \$6,614-40 per annum. Announcement No. NOTS-1Va-3(63). File Card Form 4155-AB and Standard Form 57 with Civil Service Representative, China Lake, Bldg. 34, Ext. 72657. Deadline for application is April 29.

Area of Competition: Applicants must be either Career or Career-Conditional employees of the U. S. Naval Department, Eleven Naval District.

Leadingman Ordnanceman (Experimental Propellants and Explosives, \$7,737-60, \$8,070-40, \$8,403-20 per annum. Announcement No. NOTS-1Va-4(63). File Card Form 4155-AB and Standard Form 57 with Civil Service Representative, China Lake, Bldg. 34, Ext. 72657. Deadline for application is April 29. Area of Competition: NOTS, China Lake and Pasadena.

OFF-STATION JOB
Supervisory Gen. Engr. GS-801-13 — Incumbent must demonstrate knowledge of electronic and aerospace concepts and systems; have a broad knowledge of range instrumentation, vehicle characteristics and their performance.

Knowledge of range documentation procedures and operational planning are essential. Personal characteristics required to establish good liaison contacts with project oriented personnel and represent the range are required.

Applicants must have either successfully performed supervisory responsibilities or have demonstrated the potential for supervision.

BS degree or equivalent, plus 3 years progressively responsible engineering experience, one year of which must have been at the next lower grade are minimum qualifications requirements.

File applications with Industrial Relations Dept., Has. Pacific Missile Range, P. O. Box 4, Pt. Mugu, Calif., on or before April 30.



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Non-Discrimination Policy Restated

On March 6, 1961 President Kennedy established a Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity. This committee is concerned with the compliance of nondiscrimination employment policies within the departments and agencies of the Federal Government.

It is also responsible for the review and analysis of existing Executive orders, practices and government agency procedures relating to Government employment and existing nondiscrimination contract provisions.

Executive Order 10925, which establishes the Committee, declares that "it is the plain and positive obligation of the United States Government to promote and ensure equal opportunity for all qualified persons, without regard to race, creed, color, or national origin, employed or seeking employment with the Federal Government and on government contracts."

Deputy Employment Policy Officers assist the Secretary of the Navy in his responsibility to place the nondiscrimination policy into effect.

The NOTS Deputy Employment Officer is Capt. Charles Blenman Jr.

According to regulations issued by the Committee, a written and signed complaint must be filed within 90 days from the date of the alleged discrimination unless it is extended for good cause.

Complaints may be filed with Capt. Charles Blenman Jr., Code 00 or Capt. E. I. Malone, Code P19, or the following: President's Committee, Washington 25, D. C.; Department of the Navy Deputy Employment Policy Officer, Room 4E664, Pentagon Bldg., Washington 25, D. C.

A copy of the complaint letter should also be forwarded to Code 651.

Information for preparation of a valid complaint may be obtained from the Employee Management Relations Division, Personnel Department, Bldg. 34.

C. B. Unit to Form Sea Explorers Ship

LCdr. Paul O. Erickson, Commanding Officer of the Naval Reserve C. B. Division 11-2, China Lake, revealed plans today for organizing a Sea Explorer Ship.

An open organizational meeting will be held Tuesday at 3:30 p.m. in the NRCB training building, 207 Blandy Ave., China Lake. The meeting will be conducted by Frank DeShong, district scout executive from the Kern County Council in Bakersfield. Interested boys and their parents are cordially invited to attend.



Divine Services

Christian Science (Chapel Annex)

Morning Service—11 a.m.

Sunday School—9:30 a.m.

Protestant (All Faith Chapel)

Morning Worship—9:45 and 11 a.m.

Sunday School—9:30 a.m., Groves and Richmond elementary schools.

Roman Catholic (All Faith Chapel)

Holy Mass—7, 8:30 a.m. and 4:45 p.m.

Sunday

4 a.m. Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. Saturday.

Confessions—8 to 8:25 a.m., 7 to 8:30 p.m.

Saturday. Thursday before First Friday—4 to 5:30 p.m.

NOTS Hebrew Services (East Wing All Faith Chapel)

Every first and third Friday, 8:15 p.m.

Sabbath School every Saturday morning.

Unitarians (Parish Hall)

Fellowship Meeting—Sundays, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday School—9:30 a.m.

'DESERT PHILOSOPHER'

The Legend Of Millspaugh

By "POP" LOFINCK



You drive east from Junction Valley through Sheppard Pass and come to Sheppard Canyon. Here was the village of Millspaugh.

All there is left is a boiler and retaining rock wall for the road above the boiler.

Further up the canyon is a high grade specular iron ore mine. And up the hill east of the canyon another.

It's difficult to gather accurate history about these old places because there are so many conflicting stories.

As it was told to me from various sources, it started out as a Spiritualist colony. Mr. Millspaugh and his followers apparently believed that if they communed with the spirits and were on good terms they would know where to dig. And if not on good terms it wouldn't work.

They must not have been on good terms, because they didn't dig in the right places to get gold which is what they were after.

IT WAS THERE ALL THE TIME

About 1897 a George Davis located a gold vein in the lower end of Sheppard Canyon and about 1899 sold it to Almon N. Millspaugh.

So a mill was built at Millspaugh to work this gold ore. It was hauled up the canyon.

Near the mouth of the canyon was a boarding house, barn and corral. It seems the mill should have been there too, for convenience.

By 1902 Millspaugh had a store, post office, blacksmith shop and assay office.

Estimates of the population range all the way from 50 to 200 people. They did all right for a decade.

FLASH FLOOD WRECKS ROAD

Then in 1909 a flash flood washed out the road down Sheppard Canyon. That road has not been passable for a vehicle since then. Most everyone left Millspaugh in 1910 except Millspaugh, Mrs. Fowyer and her daughters and a few others.

The mail was carried 40 miles from Brown — about twice a week.

The mill and blacksmith shop were sold and by 1914 everybody was gone.

The boarding house was bought by Summers and Butler of Bishop, sawed in two and moved to Junction Ranch where the cattle grazers lived, where it remained until about 1948.

POP 'HAPPIER ON THE OUTSIDE'

About that specular iron mine up the mountain toward Panamint Mountain.

I went in with a geologist for appraisal. You crawl in through a hole — after you're inside you can stand up and walk. We had carbide lamps and a candle.

"I'm a little squeamish about going in here," I said. "You're just as safe as you would be outside," he said. "I know the formation."

1200 steps in was a cave-in. I said, "How about this?" "This is a different formation," he said. "I'm glad you know your formations, but I'd be happier on the outside!" I said.

At every cross tunnel or side tunnel he made an arrow on the wall with his carbide lamp showing which way was out. So even an experienced geologist doesn't take a chance about getting lost in a mine.

IT'S WISE TO CARRY A CANDLE

Another warning — the air could have been good when the mine was being worked or even yesterday — but not now.

Rotting or decay is a form of oxidation like burning. It takes the oxygen out of the air. So does decomposing pyrite and trash in wet mines.

So you carry a candle. At high altitudes a carbide lamp will keep on burning after you pass out.

There is no odor, no sensation, no warning feeling. When your candle will burn, there is enough oxygen to sustain life.

But—when the oxygen in the air is removed—the carbon dioxide (as the result of rotting timbers) or the carbon monoxide (as the result of fires) is heavy and settles in low places. You may be all right standing up — but when you reach down to pick up samples — no oxygen — too bad — you pass out.

So lower your candle first before you kneel down. And if it's like that — get out — because walking along may stir it up into the air you breath.

BE CAUTIOUS AND LIVE

You go into a tunnel to get out of the rain or cold. Building a fire at the mouth of the tunnel can use up the oxygen in the tunnel if ventilation is poor.

Furthermore — some times in the spring or fall of the year—when the temperature outside is the same as inside the mine — there may be a period of no air circulation. That's bad.

If rocks are ready to fall from the roof—the vibration caused by your rock hammers knocking a sample loose — may drop a rock on your head.

It's much better to be cautious and keep on living.

'Library Week' Starts Sunday

"Read - The Fifth Freedom... Enjoy It" is the slogan for the 1963 observance of National Library Week, April 21-27.

Adm. George W. Anderson, USN, CNO, writes, "It is my sincere hope that each and every Navy man will take full advantage of broadening information which is available through the library. Know your heritage, and never let it be lost."

Marine Corps Commandant, Gen. David M. Shoup, says, "I am certain that everyone will find room for improvement - and the library can be of significant value in helping us to make our 'true contribution' to progress,"

RIM SHOTS

By BILL VALENTEEN



Golf is a great mystery! Like some capricious will-o-the-wisp, it bestows its favors with what would appear an almost insulting lack of discrimination.

On every fairway, we see big, two-fisted he-men floundering around in three figures, stopping to let through knock-kneed, hollow-cheeked little shrimps who are shooting to a 4. Giants of finance have to get a stroke a hole from their clerks. Men capable of governing empires can't seem to control that elusive little rubberized spheroid, but a dunce has absolutely no difficulty with it whatsoever.

Mysterious? Yes. But, there it is.

"Pro" Valenteen Takes Over

The few devotees who are not completely off their rocker will realize that lessons from a competent instructor will improve their game. Since you don't seem to be getting anywhere playing the way you do now, why not start again with a few hits from me?

As a game of golf usually starts out on the first tee, I will begin with a few words about the tee shot. The initial tee shot is made with a driver, provided that the people ahead of you are 50 yards or more away from the tee. If they are less than 50 yards, take a nine iron and shoot over their heads instead of shooting between them.

Now, I assume that you've been at this game for a little while and are able to get off the tee in at least two strokes. In that case, let's go to the third one. This shot is a little more puzzling, because it's usually out in the sand or in some sort of high grass.

Use Two Clubs at Same Time

You will remember that while you must play the ball where it lies, there is nothing in the rules that says you can't use two clubs at the same time. With a little practice, it will soon become an easy task to use a two-iron and putter like a pair of tongs, thereby flipping the ball out into the fairway. From there, you should certainly be able to reach the trap nearest the green with two wood shots, and a stiff seven iron.

The next shot, the "explosion," or "how to get out of a sand trap in one shot," is more an attitude than anything else. Keep calm and play it cool. After many hours of contemplation and a good deal of swearing, I've discovered that the best way to play this shot is to carefully grip the rake that is lying closeby, and while you face the green, you straddle the ball with the rake and make a croquet shot. Thus, the rake is handy for smoothing out the trap for the next unfortunate.

Three-Put, So What?

Putting on a smooth, level green is comparatively simple. Nobody can generally get close enough in three tries to get a competitor to concede. The practical way, however, is to let the ball decide for itself. In other words, putt two or three times before you go for the hole. If it drops in the cup, so much the better; if not, at least you know what the trouble was. And remember, Sport, in putting, it's "easy uphill; hard downhill."

(Editor's note: Now you know why Valenteen's column is called "Rimshots." His putts rim the hole every time!)

One for the 19th Hole

And here's a little story you can tell in the clubhouse when you'd like to change the subject about your score.

SHE: "You think so much of your golf, you've even forgotten when we were married!"

HE: "Of course I remember dear. It was the day I holed out from off the fairway on the 5th hole."

Keep smilin', Sport. See you next week!

Scene and Heard

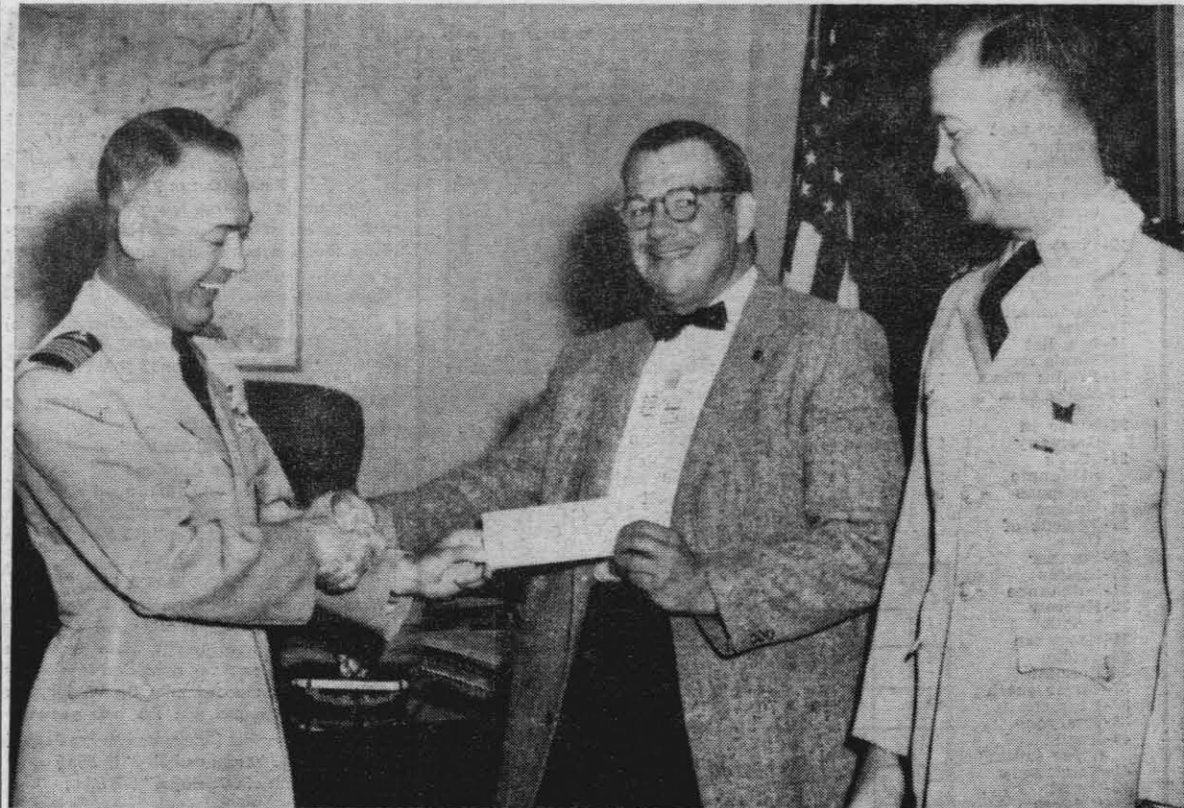
SPRING TRAINING WRAP-UP—Harmon Killebrew of the Minnesota Twins was standing next to pitcher Ralph Terry of the Yankees. Terry said, "You want to talk about home runs, talk to me. I'm an expert on them. I threw 40 of them last year." . . . Killebrew claims Terry's one of the toughest hurlers in the American League. The Twins' clouter said, "All I know is we (Minnesota) lost the pennant by five games and Terry beat us five times."

Some writers claim that perky Don Zimmer was acquired by the Dodgers to give the club a little "holler." Zimmer claims otherwise. "This holler is horseradish," says Don. "Buzze" (Dodgers GM) knows I can play three infield positions and that I'm not afraid of anybody. That's why I'm with LA!"

Speedster Maury Wills has been bothered by a bad shoulder (injured in an early exhibition game) so he stayed behind at Dodgertown a few days instructing the farm-hands in the "art of stealing." Maury was ready for the opener with the Cubs when the season started.

Octogenarian Branch Rickey, now special consultant with the Cardinals, still envisions a "left hand throwing" catcher. Says Mr. Rickey (no one ever calls him Branch), "With all the left hand hitters in baseball now, a left handed catcher would have a great advantage in throwing to first as well as second." Mr. Rickey tried using Dale Long, a left hander, behind the plate while with Pittsburgh.

Tony Lema, playing in his first Masters' Tournament at Augusta, tore up the course on the last day, the way his artillery shells tore up Korean soil in the '50's . . . Tony, who finished second in the Masters, was a winner for the Marine Corps Artillery in Korea.



CAPT. JACK HOUGH, NAF Commanding Officer, presents \$200 check to Bob Freedman, China Lake Little League president, for sponsorship of the Major League Red Sox.

Looking on approvingly is Lt. Bill Pollard, who was responsible for raising the sponsorship fee from the personnel of NAF, which has been sponsoring the Red Sox for years.

Eight Teams in Softball League

The Station Intramural Softball League season opens on April 29. The league is comprised of eight teams, four military and four civilian. Teams in the league are NAF, Marine Barracks, NOTS, VX-5 Public Works, Central Staff, Genge Engineering and Ridgcrest Merchants.

Two games will be played each night, Monday through Thursday. Starting times for the games are 6:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. The Navy Exchange refreshment truck will be at all games. Several games have been booked for Friday and Saturday nights with teams from Bishop, Bakersfield, Tehachapi and Edwards Air Force Base.

Boat Club Spends Week at Lake Mead

The China Lake Boat Club made its annual trip to Lake Mead for a week of water skiing, cruising and fishing.

The meeting place was Kingman Cove. Bob Lockwood, Tommy Hilborn and Chuck Adams and families cruised up to Overton Landing on a three day trip with many side trips to coves and other points of interest.

John Trigg, Sr., Emmett Miller, Chuck Fritchman, and guests from Bakersfield made a trip to Boulder Canyon with the intention of going to Echo Bay but were turned back by rough weather.



HAWSER HANDLER — Ship's "captain" Ginger Snively gingerly prepares to toss hawser to her docking crew ashore.

Pony League Tryouts Tomorrow Morning

Schoeffel Field will be the site of Pony League tryouts tomorrow at 8 a.m. Boys coming up from the Little League or new boys in the area are required to attend tryouts if they want to play Pony League baseball this coming season.

Those boys who played Pony League last year do not need to try out. They should, however, bring their signed applications and turn them in at this time.

All boys trying out will also be required to have their applications signed by their parents or guardians and turned in prior to tryouts.

Pony League is open to all boys living in Indian Wells Valley whose birthdate is between August 1948 and July 1950.

Those boys that cannot make the tryouts tomorrow will be given an opportunity to try out Sunday, April 28, at 1:00 p.m. Boys trying out should bring their gloves and baseball shoes and signed application forms. Bats, balls, etc., will be provided by the league. Application forms are obtainable from your school.

To Form Auxiliary

All mothers of prospective Pony and Colt League baseball players are invited to attend an organizational meeting Monday evening at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Doris Sorge, 219 Shangrila Circle.

The purpose of this meeting will be to elect officers and discuss plans for the forth-coming season. Separate auxiliaries are planned for each league this year, but this first meeting will be a joint affair.

The women's auxiliary plays an important role in supporting these leagues, such as operating the refreshment stands, assisting in uniform maintenance and fund raising projects as required.

T-Ball Clinics Get Good Start

The first T-Ball Clinic of 1963 held by China Lake Little League brought out 40 potential T-Ballers. The two-hour session featured practice in throwing and catching followed by simulated games held on Diamonds No. 1 and No. 2 which gave all the boys a chance to play in the field and also bat off the Tee.

T-Ball Clinics are scheduled to continue every Saturday morning through May 4th after which the boys of the T-Ball League will be divided into teams. Tomorrow's session will start at 9:00 a.m. at Little League Diamond No. 1.

Straggler signups will also continue each Saturday morning from 9:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. to enable youngsters who have not signed up to do so.

On May 4th, there will be a Minor League Tryout. Minor League manager will evaluate the players. Shortly after the tryout on May 4th the Minor League and National T-Ball League teams will be formed and will start practicing. As in past years all boys who are eligible and wish to play Little League Baseball at China Lake will have an opportunity to do so.

SCENIC NATURAL PARK

Kings Canyon National Park in California includes some of the most beautiful mountain wilderness in America.

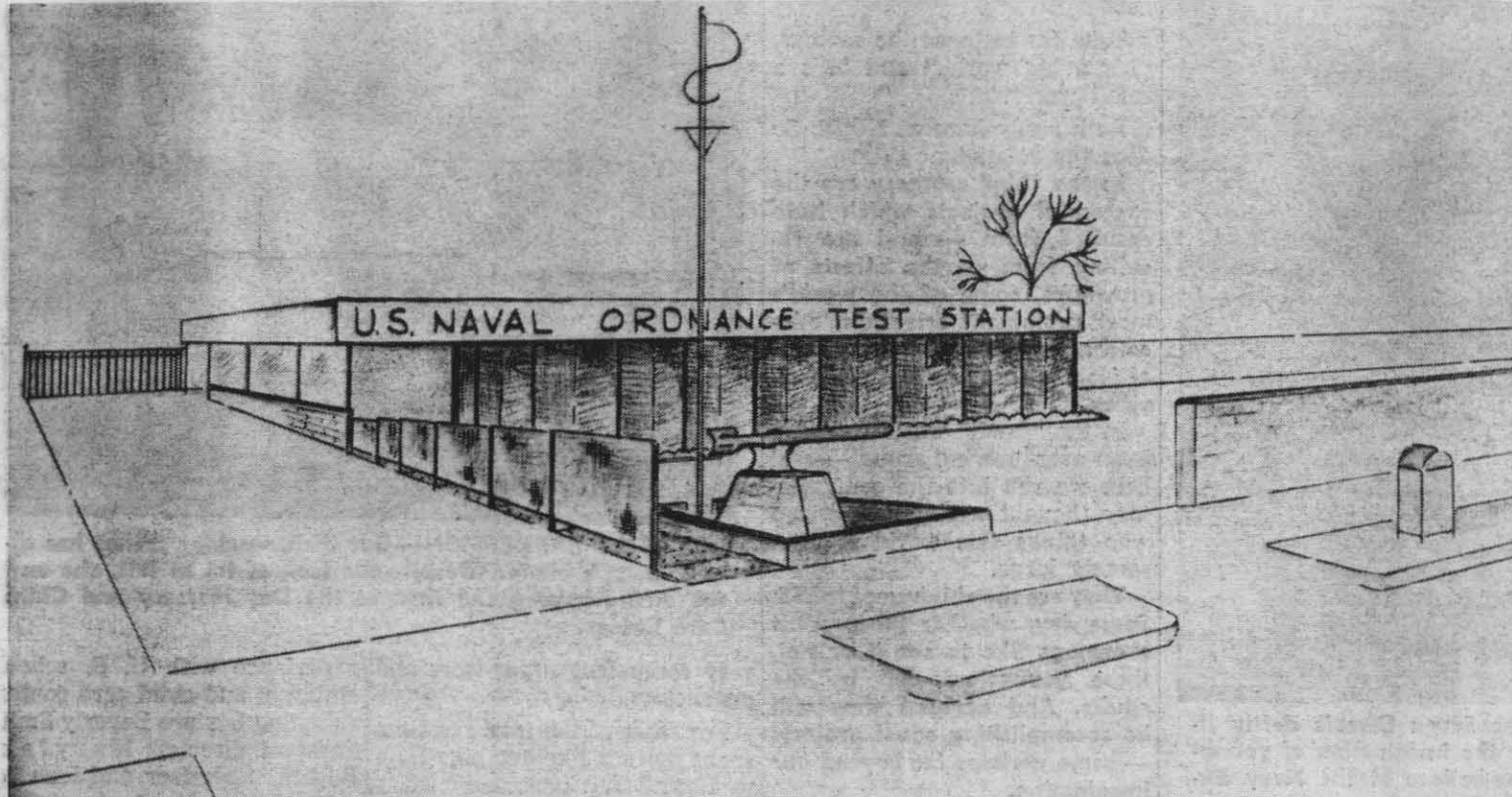
SPORTS QUIZ

1. How many times have the Olympic Games been staged in the United States?
 2. Have the Eastern representatives won more Rose Bowl football games than the West teams?
 3. Who won baseball's first Most Valuable Player award?
 4. Who was the last baseball pitcher to hurl four strikeouts in one inning?
 5. When did Rocky Marciano win the World Heavyweight Championship?
- (Answers to Quiz)</

NOTS Pasadena News

Virginia E. Lane — Ext. 481

There'll Be Some Changes Made



NOTS '63 FACE LIFTING—Gene Watt's sketch shows what the NOTS Pasadena entrance will look like in the near future. Plans call for enclosed passage way to guard gate.

Business will continue as usual during the alteration and improvement period. Construction will begin shortly. Sketch was photographed by Art Block.

Starting soon, NOTS Pasadena will present a new face to employees and visitors as a part of its alteration and improvement program. Our main entrance will be revised as shown in sketch at left.

Aside from improving the appearance of the laboratory entrance the rearrangements will provide improvements for employee entrance and visitor processing.

Plans call for an enclosed passage way to the guard gate, a concrete sidewalk and retaining wall, in addition to the building exterior treatment.

Concurrently, the Navy anchor and torpedoes at the flagpole will be replaced by a replica of the ASROC missile, as shown in sketch.

Other alterations and improvement projects which will be accomplished under the same contract include rearrangement of Personnel Division and the Chemistry Lab, Supply Division Offices in Bldg. 3, Purchase Division Offices, Bldg. 17, and Bldg. 1.

During the approximate two month revamp period, starting shortly, it will be necessary to relocate some groups, temporarily.

A Pasadena Annex Notice will soon go to All Hands, indicating specifics.

Now that we know the facts, sidewalk engineering will be more fascinating.

NOTS-AOD Game Provides Excitement

Even though the NOTS ESO Softball Team lost their first unofficial practice game against the Army Ordnance Depot, an A League Team, the game did not lack in excitement with a final score of 2-1.

H. Vickroy, team manager, reports that with only three strikeouts, NOTS managed to wear down three pitchers, constantly scattering the horsehide around the diamond in the six inning game.

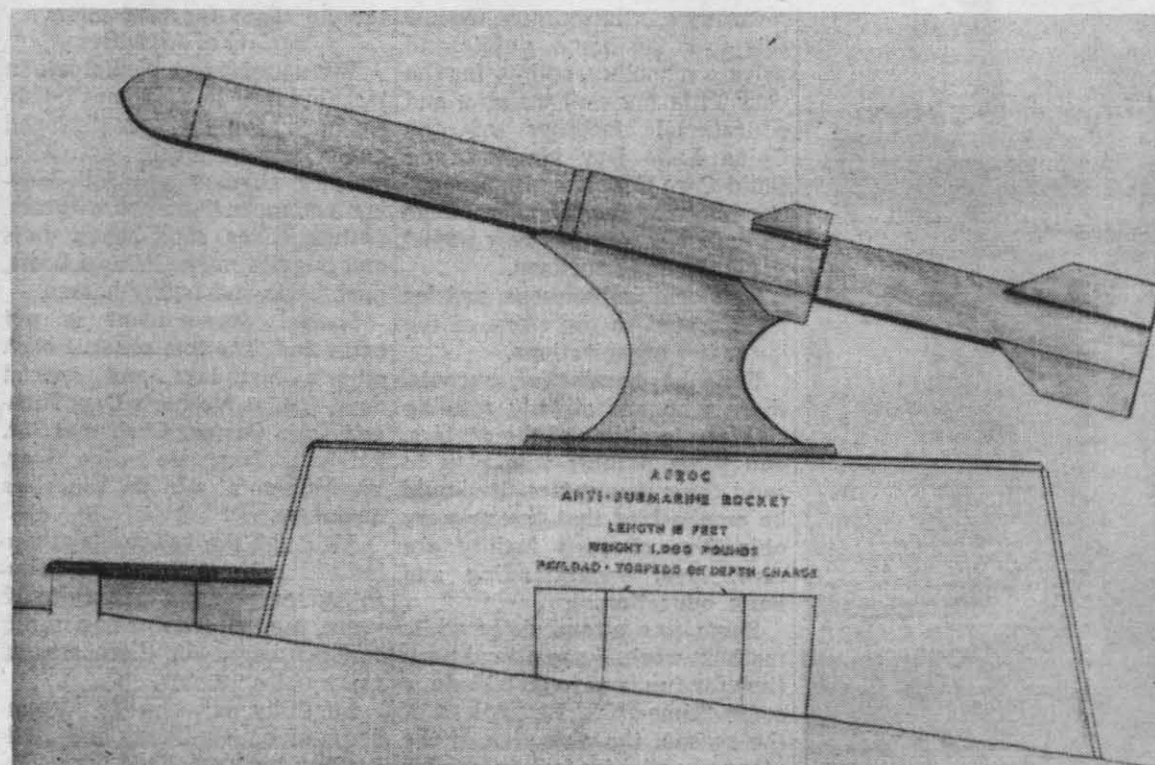
The team has a dire need for a regular score keeper. Volunteers will be greatly appreciated. Call Ray Brooks, Ext. 242 or C. H. McIntyre, Ext. 121 or 459, alternate team managers.

Dunn Reports 14% Increase To Red Cross

Final returns for the 1963 Red Cross Campaign indicate a total of \$1,127 was contributed or pledged by NOTS Pasadena employees.

This represents an increase of 14 percent over the amount raised last year, according to Eldon Dunn, this year's chairman.

Eldon reports that the Red Cross people in Pasadena seemed to be cheered by his visit when he gave them the money. In fact, they were so nice that he gave them all of it.



ASROC—As part of the refurbishment program, a replica of ASROC (Anti-Submarine

Rocket) will replace the anchor and torpedoes at entrance to the Station.

Easter Bonnet

— with all the frosting on it! Old rose in color, adorned with white roses and other elegant detail. Jo Rofer, one of our Travel gals, was presented with this little beauty upon return to work last week after a 7-week illness with an injured back.

"I feel much better, thank you," says Jo.

The donor — Juanita Myers, ex-NOTS employee and now in charge of Minneapolis - Honeywell Credit Union, has displayed her cake-decorating talent for many years at NOTS. A farewell or birthday celebration would be incomplete without one of Juanita's exquisite creations.

Juanita's husband, Earl, a Production Specialist (electronic), in the Industrial Process Branch, Engineering Dept., runs the bakery route from the Myers' domain in West Covina.

PROMOTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

To apply for positions, contact Nancy Reardon, Pasadena Personnel Division, Extension 104. An up-to-date SF-58 must be submitted when applying.

Helper Electrician; Hourly Salary Range: \$2.51 to \$2.71; Code P715; Duty Station: Long Beach (San Clemente Island).

Library Assistant, GS-3, or Clerk Typist, GS-3; Code P8096 — Assists the circulation librarian in charging and discharging books and reports and maintaining circulation records. Also does typing and related clerical work.

Heavy Duty Equipment Mechanic; Hourly Salary Range: \$3.07 to \$3.33; Code P7123 — Repairs, maintains and overhauls gasoline and diesel engines operated heavy duty construction industrial, and marine equipment.

ESO Election

The time has again arrived to elect Employee Service Organization Council members for the following Fiscal Year.

Support this organization by helping to elect members who have the imagination and initiative to promote activities that will bring monetary returns, which in turn, will further recreational activities and add improvements to the Coffee Port.

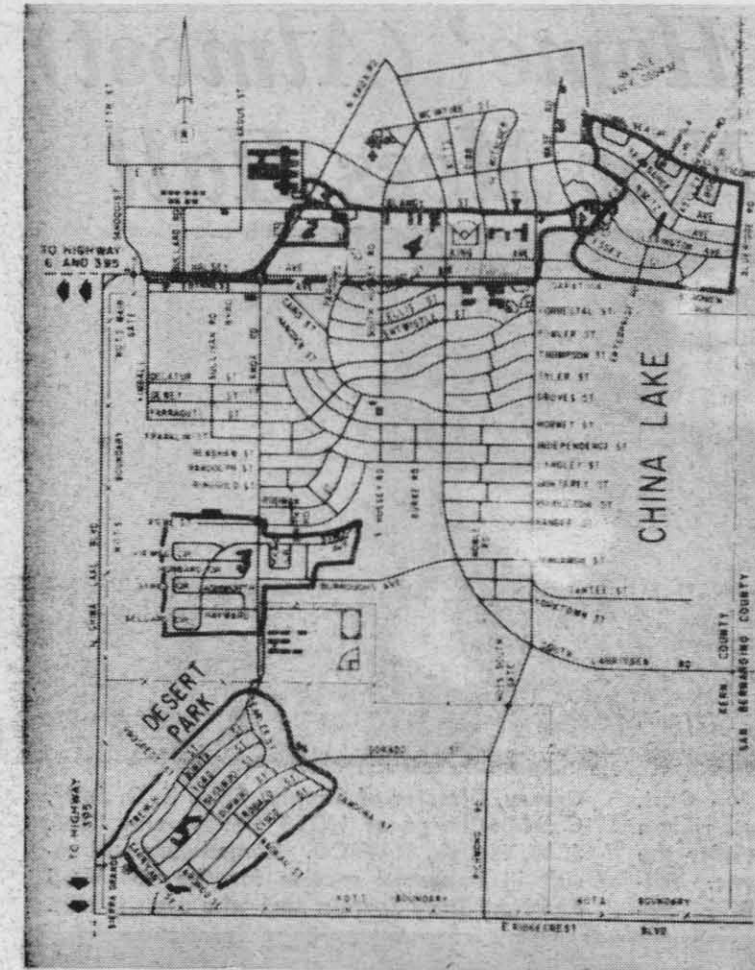
Nomination forms have been distributed and should be returned by Friday, April 26.

Summer Golf Team Now Being Formed

The first meeting of the NOTS Pasadena 1963 Summer Golf League was held yesterday. Teams are now being formed and new members are welcome. Call League Chairman, Bill White, Ext. 44 and get in on the fun.



JO ROFER



Vacuum Cleaning of Streets

The schedule for cleaning streets in the housing area is as follows:

Area 1. Scheduled to be cleaned on the 2nd Monday of each month.

Area 2. Scheduled to be cleaned on the 2nd Thursday of each month.

Area 3. Scheduled to be cleaned on the 3rd Monday of each month.

Area 4. Scheduled to be cleaned every Thursday.

All tenants are requested not to park their vehicles on the street during the days of cleaning operations.

Capehart A & B. No watering of lawns on evenings before or on day of cleaning.

Area 5. Streets will continue to be cleaned on Fridays.

All other areas will be cleaned periodically or when required. The parking problem is not anticipated in these areas.

Squelch Rumors at Open Forum

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that have been checked by the committee and found to be untrue. These include:

1. That a decision has been made to change something in the China Lake community, such as selling the houses.

2. That the Public Works Department will be either reduced or abolished, perhaps by June 30 of this year.

3. That the Community Study Committee was formed as a result of the influence or pressure of higher Navy echelons in Washington.

4. That the committee was formed as a result of pressure of people in Ridgecrest, and may be tied to the discussions of incorporation in Ridgecrest.

5. That the Community Study Committee will make decisions about the China Lake community, or has already made up its mind about what to recommend.

6. That the community has no part in decisions that may affect them.

7. Captain Blenman has some kind of financial interest in Ridgecrest and plans to retire there, and has instigated changes that will further such interests.

It was then re-emphasized that these rumors are completely untrue. The forum was then opened for two hours of very lively questioning of the panel.

Questions Asked
A number of questions were asked about what has been the success of other government-owned facilities which have become "open communities." The committee members responded that this was one of the questions that was to be investigated more thoroughly.

The disposal of the AEC's community at Los Alamos, New Mexico, was discussed briefly. Many years of planning and effort preceded the legislation which made

the change possible. At Los Alamos another year will elapse before the first home is sold and the whole transition is not expected to be completed until 1968.

Will Gather Data
The Community Study Committee stated it would be gathering information on a number of other questions raised from the floor.

Such questions include: How would schools be supported financially? Would there be mortgage guarantees on the sale of homes?

What would be the effect of buying homes that did not meet County building codes?

What would happen to recreation facilities?

What kind of protection would there be during the transition period to prevent costs from rising sharply?

What would happen to such community facilities as the Community Center?

Might more private businesses be attracted into the area, such as major chain stores?

"Opinions Wanted"
The panel stated that a questionnaire would be developed to get reactions from the community about their feelings on such matters as: adequacy of goods and services; costs of shelter; recreation needs of the area; and other community factors.

The information developed from this questionnaire will be helpful in deciding what course is best for the Station and the community.

The China Lake Community Council will try to get answers to any questions asked by the community members about this study. Questions can be asked of precinct directors or by mail to the Council at its P. O. Box 5443.



DRIVER TRAINING BRIEFING—Seven members of the Northern Section of the 11ND Safety Council received a day-long briefing on NOTS Driver Education Program during their visit here Tuesday. Seated at Driver Trainers are Thomas Snipes, Long Beach Naval Station; Ralph Violante, Safety Inspector, Long Beach Naval Shipyard, and Lt. L.

A. Morgan, Shore Patrol Officer, Long Beach; standing (l-r) are Vince Leap and Kit Skaar, NOTS Safety Dept.; John Sharp, safety inspector, Naval Weapons Station, Seal Beach; Chief J. P. Belanger, Long Beach; Sgt. Lloyd Cox, California Highway Patrol, Los Angeles; Cdr. John Lane, Staff, Commander, Naval Stations, Los Angeles area; and Russ Cotner.

Art Festival Here Over the Weekend

The district contest of the 15th annual Kern County Art Festival will be held tomorrow and Sunday at the Community Center.

The purpose of both the district and county final contests is to encourage individuals from kindergarten age and up to develop talent and exhibit work so that it may be judged, appreciated, recognized and rewarded.

Each participant is allowed to enter a maximum of two paintings; each painting must be original and not a copy of some illustration or other painting.

There will be two categories for each division of paintings, abstract and realistic.

Divisions in the show will be (1) elementary: kindergarten, first and second grades, third and fourth grades, fifth and sixth grades, and seventh and eighth grades; (2) high school: freshman and sophomore, and junior and senior; and (3) adult amateur.

Professional artists will exhibit at the Community Center but their paintings will not be in competition.

The local district contest is sponsored by the Desert Art League. Chairman of the event is Henry Hunnel, president of the local Desert Art League. His co-chairman is Jane Lombardi. James Cashore assisted by Oreste Lombardi is in charge of setting up the huge show.

Elementary school works which have been pre-judged will be taken care of by Theda Anderson and a group of eight Art League members. High school works will be hung by Adeline Williams, Burroughs High art instructor and members of the Burroughs Art Club. Adult amateur entries will have Esther Schilberg as chairman and the adult professional gallery will be set up by Lorraine McClung.

First, second, third, honorable mention and sweepstakes ribbons will be awarded by a team of qualified artists from Kernville. Each year judges from other districts come here to judge the local show.

Blue-ribbon first place winners are eligible to compete in the county finals to be held May 4 at the Cunningham Memorial Art Gallery in Bakersfield. Hours for public viewing of

this event will be from 2-8 p.m. tomorrow, and from noon to 5 on Sunday.

A special mosaics display by Martin Weber of the Gift Mart will be set up and there will be a special display of photography by Charles Vollmer's Burroughs High School class. The public will also have a chance to express its opinion by voting for the painting entered in competition that they think best.

Gilkinson and Stoffel Among The Victorious

Robert Wilkinson and incumbent Donald Stoffel were elected to fill two openings on the China Lake Elementary School District board of trustees in the consolidated election last Tuesday.

In the Kern County Joint Union High School and Junior College District trustees election, both incumbents M. Glenn Bultman and D. E. Ruggenberg were victorious.

Gilkinson, with 238 votes, and Stoffel, with 221, defeated E. M. Bens, 212, and incumbent Earl Love, 194.

Bultman received 352 votes and Ruggenberg, 345. Bertha Bruschi was the third candidate in this election.

In the Indian Wells Valley Union School District Board of trustees election, incumbents Dr. Robert J. Hamblin and Dr. Gilbert J. Plain were unopposed.

Meeting Halls..

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As an immediate solution to this problem, officials point to numerous meeting halls and auditoriums that are available in the area. They note that school districts, utility companies, fraternal lodges, churches and Kern County have spaces which could be used for club meetings.

Organizations are urged to investigate the use of these facilities in an effort to ease the space problem.



NOTS' Headquarters flag flew at half-mast in memory of submarine Thresher's crew. A dispatch from Adm. George W. Anderson, CNO, read in part: "One hundred twenty-nine gallant Navy men, operators and builders alike, went down to the sea for their last voyage in Thresher. That the rest of us might profit by their dedication, experience and selfless sacrifice, I propose that throughout the world, afloat, and ashore, on ships and stations of our Navy, we give thanks that such men did serve in this, the greatest Navy on earth. Further, I would have us pray for the strength and understanding now needed by those loved ones left ashore."

Public School's Week Events Schedule Listed

Schools in the area will celebrate the 44th annual observance of Public Schools week with an open house, folk dance festival and a concert.

Theme of this year's Public Schools Week is "Our Public School—Symbol of Freedom."

Below is listed a schedule of events for the week.

Monday
Desert Park School — Special Program 6 to 7 p.m.
Richmond, Desert Park, Monroe — Open House 7 to 9 p.m.

Tuesday
Murray, Groves and Inyokern Elementary — Open House 7 to 9 p.m.
Concert at Murray Cafetorium at 8 p.m.

Wednesday
Folk Dance Festival by Murray sixth grade at Kelly Field 9 to 11 a.m.
Public School Week Banquet at Murray School Cafetorium starting at 6:30 p.m. Presentation of awards to teachers by Indian Wells Valley Masonic Lodge. A memorial to the late "Hank" Smith for his work with the schools.

Thursday
Folk Dance Festival at Kelly Field by Murray and James Monroe pupils 9 to 11 a.m. In case of high winds, this event will be held in the James Monroe auditorium.

Open House at Vieweg and Los Flores Schools from 6 to 8 p.m.
Open House at Burroughs High School from 7 to 9 p.m. Events will include a meeting of the PTA and the Burroughs

Store Manager Heckenkemper Dies

Frank J. Heckenkemper Jr., 44, manager of the Navy Exchange Store since last August, died last Friday at the San Diego Naval Hospital.

Interment will take place at Ft. Gibbon, Okla., today.

Survivors are his wife, Mary Jane, a ten-year-old son, Joseph, and three married daughters.

He was a retired Army lieutenant colonel with many years of experience in merchandising, sales, and Army PX operations.

He came to NOTS following two years of managing the Golf Club at the Command and General Staff College at Ft. Leavenworth, Kan.



NEW TOASTMASTER PREXY—Frank St. George (left), new president of the China Lake Toastmasters Club No. 853, accepts the gavel from outgoing president Gerald Miller. The group meets at the Officers Club each Thursday at 5:45 p.m. It still has a few membership openings. For further information call Extension 72854.

Booster Club and a Fashion Show in the Multiuse Room starting at 8:30 p.m.

Friday
Concert at James Monroe auditorium from 1 to 3 p.m. featuring orchestra composed of Indian Wells Valley and China Lake Elementary pupils.

Navy Economizes: Develops Portable Tracker for Polaris

Washington (AFPS)—The Navy has developed a portable package concept for missile testing telemetry equipment. The concept will allow the use of almost any ship in service as a monitoring station when Polaris submarines conduct test launches.

Before this new portable device was proven useful, every time a Polaris submarine fired a test missile a specially equipped surface ship accompanied the submarine to sea.

The only ship which could do the job has been the Observation Ship Island (EAG-154). A converted Mariner class cargo ship, the Observation Island is also a Polaris missile test launching ship.

She has been acting as test monitoring ship ever since the George Washington launched the first Polaris missile from beneath the ocean's surface on July 20, 1960.

The Portable Ship's Instrumentation Package (POSIP), the new missile tracking equipment and communications gear is built into two portable aluminum vans.

The 12,000 pound vans can be hoisted onto and chained to the deck of any ship the size of a destroyer or larger.

The need for this new equipment was evident when the Polaris program was stepped up. The cost for the portable vans is far below the cost of converting another ship for the job.

LARGEST INSECT

Beetles are the largest of all insect groups, reports the Chicago Natural History Museum, ranging in size from the tiny featherwing beetle to the Goliath beetle, a giant African insect as large as a mouse. It would take 23,000,000 featherwings, the museum advises, to equal the weight of a single Goliath.

'Just Like Home' (Almost) At NAF's New Mess Hall



CUTS RIBBON FOR MESS HALL — Capt. Charles Blenman, Jr., ComNOTS, cuts ribbon to the remodeled NAF Mess Hall under the watchful eye of Lt. (jg) Harvey Burns. Witnessing the event (l-r) are Capt. B. L. Mc-

Creery, Director of Supply; Chief E. O. Jolly, Chief-in-Charge of NOTS Galley; and Capt. J. W. Hough, NAF CO. Remodeling will result in improved service for the 130 VX-5 and NAF Duty Section men who use the hall.

Family-Style Dining Boosts Men's Morale

Navy cooks at China Lake switched a few words around in an age-old adage this week, claiming it's still true that, "The way to a man's MORALE is through his stomach!"

To cinch the deal, they serve eye-appealing food in a pleasing atmosphere.

To illustrate the point, they unveiled the Naval Air Facility's newly re-opened mess hall.

There is a relaxed atmosphere in the twin-dining room unit that now serves up to 375 men daily.

Gleaming Steam Tables

Gleaming, stainless steel steam tables from which food is served greets those men of the NAF and VX-5 duty sections as they enter the building.

Family style dining at four-place tables with blue checkered table cloths accommodates up to nearly 100 men simultaneously.

Entrees that formerly were cooked at the main galley are now prepared by Jesus Luevanos, CS1, and his staff of two assistants, Tom Barker, CS2, and James Porter, CS3.

Noting that the improved system created an increased workload on the three-man staff, Luevanos was quick to point out, "We don't mind when our food pleases the men!"

"One of the Finest"

The improved messing facility resulted from a directive issued by the Bureau of Weapons early this year, instructing commands to improve those elements which directly contribute to high morale.

"Our commissary facility is one of the Navy's finest," explained Lt. (jg) H. G. Burns. "But, keeping a 150-man crew out at NAF at all times compounded our normal problems. The food had to be transported out there. By the time it was served, much of the taste had been lost."

"The mess hall was no more than a vacant building with mess benches and steam tables arranged for feeding personnel on a strictly austere basis."

"The new directive gave us authority to improve the situation, an area in which we had long been interested," he commented.

Chief Commissaryman E. O. Jolly sized up the situation, noting that some paint, several yards of cloth and "an ample supply of elbow grease would be required."

A lowered ceiling effect, cre-



CHOW LINE moves along the newly-installed steam tables. Food is prepared by Jesus Luevanos, CS1, and two assistants, Tom Barker, CS2, and James Porter, CS3.

ated by Public Works, combined with new interior paint and a selection of pictures transformed the old messhall into what is today regarded by NAF and VX-5 personnel as one of the Navy's finest facilities of its kind!

It's a Long Day
All arise at 4:00 a.m. to start the day's work, completing their chores generally by 8:00 p.m. in the evening.

"Sure, it's a long day. And, we're all pretty tired when it comes to an end," admits Luevanos.

"But, we know that our work is showing up in the morale of our shipmates!" he adds, with a boastful smile on his face.



NATIONAL SECURITY INDUSTRIAL ASSOCIATION members were welcomed at reception Wednesday evening at Commissioned Officers' Club prior to a Thursday tour of NOTS test facilities and ranges. Among the more than 70 representatives were (l to r) Kenneth S. Ferrer of the Columbia-Geneva Division of U. S. Steel Corp.; H. M. "Hap" Bailey of Eitel-McCullough, Inc., and RAdm. Robert W. Berry, USN (Ret.), NSIA Pacific Coast Regional Director.

Best of Care for the Little Ones Here



MURALS OF Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs deftly illustrated by Judy Vanderbeck stir the imagination of youngsters in their little world of make-believe at the Navy Exchange Drop-In Nursery.



MAKING ICE CREAM is a yummy pastime for some of the little ones at the China Lake Day Nursery and Child Care Center.



ARTISTIC TALENTS have an outlet, too, at both of the nurseries.

Two Competent Facilities Take Tots In Hand

It is surprising sometimes how clichés can contradict each other and yet, under certain conditions, have relevancy.

Take for instance the sayings, "It's a big world," and "It's a small world!"

Both apply here at NOTS. So does the relevancy.

In the "big" category are the successful projects which have resulted from — and are resulting from — the efforts of grownups, some of the world's most prominent scientists, educators, business and professional leaders, both military and civilian.

In the "small" world category is an ever-growing group — and here we run into the contradictory thought again — a group who thinks this world is awesomely large.

They are the children of NOTS. Some day, whether the present grownups like to see it or not, these youngsters will be the adults. And perhaps they will be accomplishing equal projects — some perhaps far beyond our imagination.

Meanwhile, how are they being nurtured toward these goals?

Two Fine Facilities
Fortunately at NOTS there is a variety of environment toward this end: the home, public and private schooling, and — for the very little ones — training and educational facilities of the China Lake Day Nursery and Child Care Center at Halsey and Bard St., and the Navy Exchange Drop-In Nursery (its new name) at Nimitz and Lauritzen.

This and subsequent articles are devoted to the story of the latter two organizations.

For the benefit of parents, those who are already sending children to either of the centers, and those parents who plan to send their youngsters, it should be emphasized that the primary objectives of each facility are care, love, understanding and basic education.

Some tots attend daily while mothers work. Some attend part-time for fun (and to give Mommy some "time-off"). Regardless of the reason, the objective of the planned activities is the same for all — the best possible care and development of children.

Complete Supervision
At either nursery, the child is always under the supervision of



GET THAT EXPRESSION!—But then, washing dishes has always been a chore. Despite the look of tot at left, she and the others have grand time at the Day Nursery and Child Care Center.

very competent supervisors and instructors.

For most of the tots, the time spent there is like one big "Happy Hour."

There are crayons, clay, paints, all kinds of toys to play with, indoors and outdoors, weather permitting. Both centers have fences around them for protection.

Variety of Activities

The youngsters participate in learning how to cook, wash dishes; they have vigorous play and quiet times, music activities, nursery rhymes and folk-dancing. Outdoors there are tricycles, swings, slides, sand boxes, dolls and buggies, make-believe boats, push carts and hobby horses.

Special development is not neglected. The tots observe each other's birthdays and special days, too, as Mother's Day, Father's Day, Easter, Christmas, St. Patrick's Day, Valentine Day, Washington's and Lincoln's birthdays.

Although the age range accepted at the Navy Exchange Drop-In Nursery is from infancy to 12 years, the majority of registered children cared for there are six years old or under.

Eligibility is open to dependents of both military and civilian families who have Navy Exchange privileges.

The director is Elaine Darnell, a graduate of Toronto State Hospital in Canada and a registered nurse with more than 17 years'

experience with U. S. schools, children, and child care centers. Assisting her are Beverly Smith, Rogers, supervisor, and Jean Petzoldt. Other attendants work on a call basis.

As its name implies, the Navy Exchange facility is operated by the Navy Exchange under the guidance of Lt. John R. Covington. Policy is governed by Station Command. No other licensing is required because this nursery is a government-sponsored enterprise.

At the China Lake Day Nursery, dependents of all employees of NOTS are eligible for enrollment, whether they reside on or off the Station. Dependents of contractor and support personnel are also eligible.

Licensed by State

The school is licensed and inspected regularly by the California State Department of Social Welfare. The license permits care of toilet-trained children aged two and a half to 10 years, but most of the pupils there are pre-schoolers, too.

Affairs of the school are handled by a board of directors elected by the China Lake Day Nursery Assn., a non-profit corporation composed of parents of the pupils. Jack Donnan is president of the board.

Mrs. Lorraine Scheidt, Supervisor and Curriculum Coordinator, is a graduate of Fresno State College and former assistant director of Bakersfield College Child Development Center. She is certificated by the State to direct nursery schools. Six teachers guide the children this year. They are Maralyn Clark, Betty Jo Kennedy, Lucy Coffey, Peggy Knoblauch, Dawn Morrison and Daisy Widdon.

(In a following article, the story of sanitary and safety precautions, pre-school education, and more of the physical surroundings of both the centers will be told.)

Aetna Agent Here Thursday, Friday

Paul Menefee, Government Health Insurance representative of Aetna Insurance Co., Oakland, will visit the Station on April 25 and 26. He may be contacted at the Community Center on Thursday, the 25th, from 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., and on Friday, the 26th, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. He will not visit the Station during the month of May.



NEW CHAIN LINK FENCE now encloses the playground area of the Navy Exchange drop-

in nursery (above). China Lake Day Nursery and Child Care Center also is fenced.