

Exchange Toyland Opens



LET'S SEE, NOW, WHAT DOES THIS COST? One of the fair ladies who came out to attend the Grand Opening of the new Navy Exchange Toyland inspects some of the merchandise being offered for sale. The ribbon-cutting ceremonies were held Tuesday, October 15th.

Orchestra Features Ruiz

On Sunday, October 27, China Lake concert-goers may enjoy music artistry that has been acclaimed in Chicago and Los Angeles. Adrian Ruiz, the featured piano soloist on the Desert Community Orchestra's first fall program, has been featured by the Chicago Symphony Orchestra and the Los Angeles Philharmonic. The program is scheduled at 8 p.m. in the Center Theatre.

Rachmaninoff's Concerto No. 2, taking up the last half of the program, will be rendered by Adrian Ruiz. Other selections include: Handel's Overture, "THEODORA," Aaron Copeland's "VARIATION ON A SHAKER," and Beethoven's "EROICA," Third Symph.

only, First Movement. Robert Cole, Hollywood, conducts the concert.

Cole conducts a class in orchestra instruction known as Music-12, at Bakersfield College night school. This Monday period serves as the rehearsal time for the orchestra which is comprised of both students and adult musicians.

This concert, which is free to the public, is made possible by the aid of a grant from the Recording Industries (Music Performance) Trust Funds. Other sources of orchestra financing are from public support, and the sale of tickets at the other two concerts in the season.

SHOWBOAT

"SHENANDOAH" (104 Min.)
James Stewart, Doug McClure, Pat Wayne
7:30 P.M.

(Drama) Widowed Virginia farmer's neutrality explodes when his young son is shot as a rebel. Big Jim and his clan set out to fight a war of their own to keep the family intact. Action filled plus a fine Stewart performance. (Adult, Youth, Mature Children.)

Short: "Grinco Jungle" (10 Min.)

SATURDAY OCTOBER 26

MATINEE—

"KING OF THE WILD STALLIONS"

George Montgomery

1:00 P.M.

Shorts: "Two By Two" (7 Min.)

"Canadian Mounties" (No. 8, 13 Min.)

EVENING—

"WHO'S MINDING THE MINT?" (97 Min.)

Jim Hutton, Dorothy Provine

7:30 P.M.

(Comedy) How can a handsome bachelor, who works in the U.S. Mint, replace the \$50,000 he accidentally took home—and destroyed? The rest of the zany cast tries to help in the goofiest way you'll ever see! It's a howl! (Adult.)

Short: "Rodeo Daredevils" (9 Min.)

SUNDAY OCTOBER 27

DESERT COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA

CONCERT

MONDAY OCTOBER 28

"HOW SWEET IT IS!" (98 Min.)

James Garner, Debbie Reynolds

7:30 P.M.

(Comedy) When a romantic wife engineers a European trip to she and her romantic husband can keep an eye on their romantic-hippie son, the laughs begin to roll. And jealousy makes for blunders galore! It's all on the Riviera. (Adult, Youth, Mature Children.)

Short: "African Diary" (7 Min.)

TUESDAY-WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 29-30

"HANG 'EM HIGH" (114 Min.)

Clint Eastwood, Inger Stevens

7:30 P.M.

(Western) From a lynching noose to Deputy Marshall is a long jump—but not if you're seeking revenge on the doers of that injustice. Here was the only court in Oklahoma Territory, and Clint becomes a part of it. (Adult, Mature Youth.)

Short: "Twinkle Twinkle Little Pink" (7 Min.)

THURSDAY-FRIDAY OCT. 31-NOV. 1

"THE YOUNG AMERICANS" (102 Min.)

Themselves, The Nitty Gritty,

Milton Berle

7:30 P.M.

(Musical) This group of 36 young men and women build their talent into a national touring group. As the story follows their progress across the country, enjoy their fun and dramatic moments like you were one of them. (Adult, Youth, Children.)

Short: "Duck Fever" (7 Min.)

Flying Club Seeks Members



READY FOR FLIGHT — After a complete engine overhaul this T-34 aircraft is ready for take-off. The two-place T-34 belongs to the China Lake Navy Flying Club (civilian and military), has retractable gear and is fully aerobatic.

The China Lake Navy Flying Club is accepting applications for membership. Those interested in joining the club may obtain information from Jerry Gentry, Ext. 72938, or from Jack Billups, Ext. 8223, or they may attend the monthly meeting on the first Tuesday evening of the month at 7:30 p.m. The meetings are held in the Officers' Ward Room, Hangar Three, NAF.

The club is open to all Department of Defense employees and active or retired military personnel, both men

and women. Benefits of club membership are the availability of aircraft, including commercial aircraft, for flying lessons or pleasure flying at reduced rental rates. The club provides ground school training and hopes to again provide flight instruction at reduced rates through club members, according to Jerry Gentry.

For those interested in flying the T-34, the club plans to show a series of 12 flight training films on the T-34 in the near future.

PLANE AND BUS SCHEDULE

Effective October 27, 1968

CHINA LAKE—INYO KERN—INT'L AIRPORT—PASADENA

Air West Schedule (TR's or Tickets Required)

Southbound (Daily)			Northbound (Daily)		
Flight No.	Leave Inyokern	Arrive LAX	Flight No.	Leave LAX	Arrive Inyokern
361	0700	0755	362	0605	0649
363	2200	2255	364	2045	2142

(NOTE: All flights stop briefly at Lancaster.)

Airport Shuttle Bus Schedule — China Lake

Passenger transportation will be provided between Inyokern Airport and China Lake daily, Monday through Friday, for all flights. For flights leaving Inyokern Airport, shuttle bus pickups will be made as follows:

Flight No.	BOQ-A	Sta. Rest.	Adm. Bldg.	Mich. Lab.	Arrive Inyokern
361	0605	0607	0608	0610	0630
363	2100	2102	2103	2105	2125

Weekend travelers departing from Inyokern Airport should make prior arrangements for transportation through the Travel Branch, Code 8517, Ext. 71378, China Lake.

Travelers will use limousine or taxi for transportation from LAX to Pasadena and return.

For further information, call Travel Branch, Ext. 71378, China Lake.

25th Anniversary Dinner Tickets

IWV residents who have made reservations for the Early Timer's Dinner on November 8, or for the NWC 25th Anniversary Dinner on November 9, may pay for and pick up their tickets for these events at a special table in the Main Lobby of Michelson Laboratory on Monday, October 28 between the hours of 11 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Thereafter, tickets may be obtained during working hours at the office of K. H. Robinson, Technical Information Department, corner Blandy St. and Knox Road.

Checks should be made payable to NWC Anniversary Committee.



SAVELL



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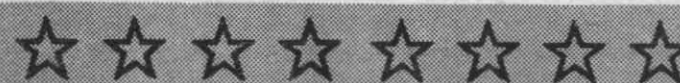


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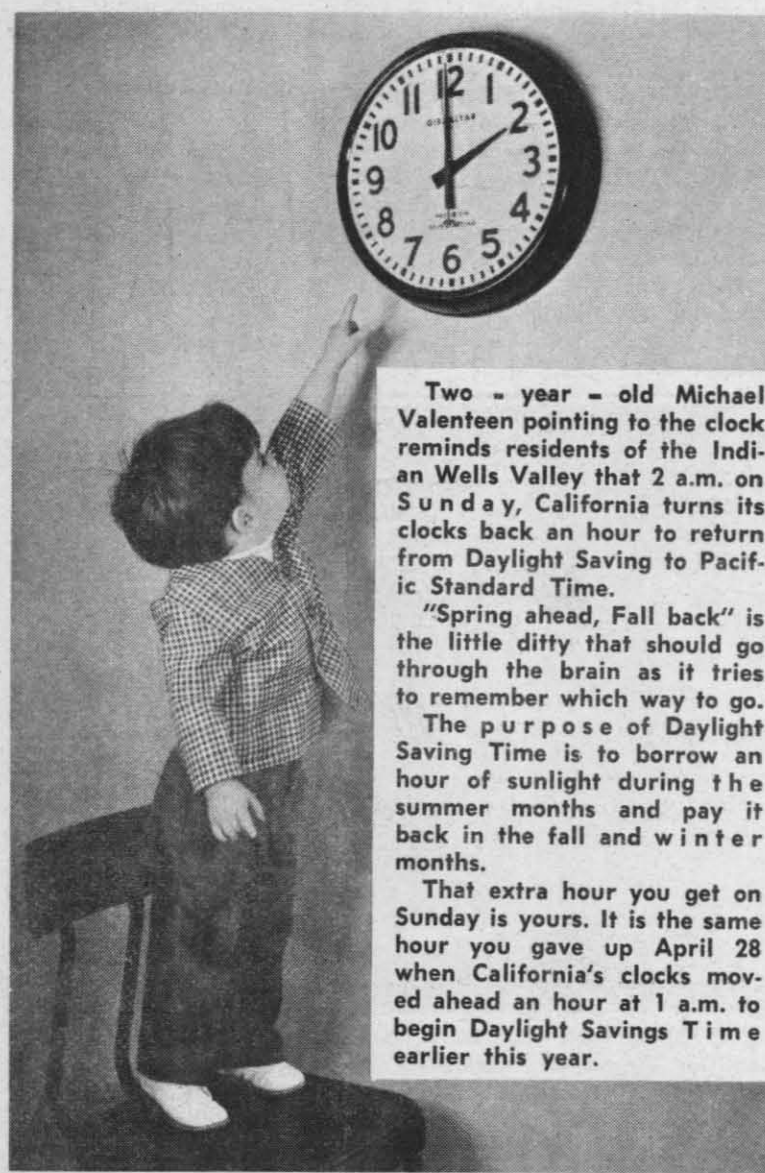


IWV Navy League To Honor Bluejackets of the Month At Navy Day Banquet Saturday, October 26th.

Bluejacket of Year Selection To Highlight Navy League Awards Banquet



Turn Back The "Kwock"



Two - year - old Michael Valenteen pointing to the clock reminds residents of the Indian Wells Valley that 2 a.m. on Sunday, California turns its clocks back an hour to return from Daylight Saving to Pacific Standard Time.

"Spring ahead, Fall back" is the little ditty that should go through the brain as it tries to remember which way to go.

The purpose of Daylight Saving Time is to borrow an hour of sunlight during the summer months and pay it back in the fall and winter months.

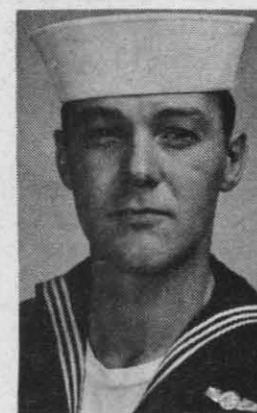
That extra hour you get on Sunday is yours. It is the same hour you gave up April 28 when California's clocks moved ahead an hour at 1 a.m. to begin Daylight Savings Time earlier this year.



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EBELING



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PLOTKIN



Vol. XXII, No. 43 Naval Weapons Center, China Lake, California Fri., Oct. 25, 1968

Enlisted Men's Awards Program Typifies 'U.S. Navy--On the Move'

Bluejackets selected at the Naval Weapons Center during the year as the Bluejacket of the Month will be honored tomorrow night at the Navy League's annual Navy Day observance banquet. One of the men will receive the high honor of being selected Bluejacket of the Year.

This year all Bluejackets participating in the NWC recognition program will receive cash awards for their outstanding service.

The Indian Wells Valley Council of the Navy League of the United States, as in previous years, is sponsoring the event that has gained national interest in citing naval personnel for noteworthy service.

The Saturday night banquet will be held in Ridgecrest at the Hideaway Steak House, beginning with a social hour at 7:30 and followed at 8:30 with dinner and presentation of awards, according to Howell Sumrall, local Navy League president. George Whaley will MC the program that is designed to highlight the Navy's 193rd birthday under the 1968 theme "U.S. Navy — On the Move."

A selection panel responsible for naming the Bluejacket of the Year consisted of personnel from the three commands at NWC with LCdr. C. M. Bates acting as senior member. Panel members were Lt. J. T. Lewis, MSC; Lt. W. L. Czerwinka; PHCM R. M. Peters from the NWC Enlisted Personnel Division; LCdr. A. E. Molloy; LCdr. J. R. Williams; ADCS F. W. Lawrenz, from the Naval Air Facility; Lt. N. L. Morton; Lt. (jg) C. B. Townsend, and AVCM F. E. Kelly, from Air Development Squadron Five.

Distinguished guests and their ladies to attend the banquet will include Capt. M. R. Etheridge, NWC Commander; Capt. Robert Williamson II, NWC Executive Officer; Capt. Lawrence A. Dewing, NAF



Commanding Officer; Capt. Charles W. Fritz, VX-5 Commanding Officer, and Senior Chaplain Harold A. MacNeill.

In addition to receiving the Navy League's award plaque, the 1968 Bluejacket of the Year will be presented with gifts and honors made possible through the cooperation of 25 organizations.

He will travel to Las Vegas, the Grand Canyon and Death Valley National Monument in a new car furnished by Hertz for 21 days. At Las Vegas he will be the guest of the Mint and Sahara Hotels before continuing to the Grand Canyon and Death Valley where he will be feted at the Furnace Creek Inn.

Those organizations participating in the Bluejacket's

awards are Arrowsmith Tool & Mfg. Corp., Bakersfield Council, Navy League, COMARCO Inc., Computer Applications Inc., Fedco, General Dynamics Corp., Fred Harvey Co., Genge Recreation Club, Hertz Rent-a-Car, Hideaway Steak House, Hughes Aircraft Co., K&R Market, Kiwanis Club of Ridgecrest, McDonnell Douglas Corp., Mercury Moving & Storage Co.

Also, Meteorology Operations, Inc., Mint Hotel, North American Rockwell Corp., Sahara Hotel, Shopping Bag Food Stores, Inc., Texas Instruments Inc., Valley Independent, Veterans of Foreign Wars Ship No. 4084, Western Auto Supply, and The Flower Shop.

In contention for the Bluejacket of the Year honor are FTM2 George C. Johnson, AE1 Carlton K. Savell, AQ1 Royal B. DeLand, PH1 Gary D. Bird, AZ3 Dennis J. Rohwer, AO2 Robert D. Plotkin, and AMH1 Eugene F. Boyts. Others have been advanced in rate beyond the one of eligibility.

"We are all proud of these Bluejackets — they are rendering a great service in support of United States seapower," commented Sumrall, "and we are happy to have the public join us at the banquet to pay these men a fitting tribute."

TEMPERATURES

	Max.	Min.
Oct. 18	77	42
Oct. 19	80	43
Oct. 20	83	43
Oct. 21	83	43
Oct. 22	85	43
Oct. 23	87	43
Oct. 24	87	44

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Answer to Previous Puzzle

ACROSS

- Dance step
- Macaw
- Chinese pagoda
- Before
- Royal
- In music, high
- Shift
- Pounding instrument
- Walk in water
- Printer's measure
- Liberate
- Man's name
- Lamb's pen
- Above (poet.)
- Causing sudden surprise
- Cyprinoid fish
- Capuchin monkey
- Obtained
- Cooled lava
- Satirized
- Emmet
- Dirk
- Girl's nickname
- Old pronoun
- Babylonian deity
- Chief god of Memphis
- Baby's bed
- High standards
- Paddle
- Threefold
- Illuminated
- Change color of
- Musical instrument
- Edible seed

DOWN

- Footlike part
- Part of circle
- Weight of India
- Region
- Performance
- Symbol for silver
- Knock
- Toward shelter
- Make lace
- Everyone
- Devoured
- Female sheep
- Small fish
- Period of time
- Frustrates
- Part of fortification
- Teutonic deity
- Country of South America
- Chinese mile
- Pointless
- Semi-precious stone
- Portuguese for "saint"
- Bushy clump
- Haste
- Pronoun
- Short sleep
- Exclamation
- Definite article
- Singing voice
- Arabian seaport
- Edible fish
- Beam
- Exist
- Be mistaken
- High mountain
- Falsehood
- Music: as written
- Inspector General (abbr.)

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CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

Umbrellas
of Buffalo

By Senior Chaplain Harold A. MacNeill



Are you sometimes suspicious of other persons? Here is a story I heard about a year ago. It seems that a Buffalo, New York woman while shopping, thoughtlessly picked up an umbrella belonging to another woman and started to walk off with it. The owner stopped her, and the absent minded woman with many apologies, returned the umbrella.

The event served to remind her that her own family needed some umbrellas, so she bought two for her daughters, and one for herself.

Later in the day, when she was on her way home armed with the three umbrellas, she happened to glance up, and saw directly opposite in the bus, the very woman with whom she had the unfortunate experience earlier that morning.

The second woman stared at the three umbrellas very hard for several minutes, and then, with a significant smile and in an icy tone said, "I see that you have had a very successful morning."

Navy Sabbath Services To Be Held

The Nation will pause briefly during the weekend of October 25-27 to mark the annual observance of NAVY SABBATH, sponsored by the Naval Reserve Association as a religious adjunct to the annual celebration of Navy Day.

Special remembrance of deceased Navy and Marine Personnel will be made in the Masses on Friday and Saturday in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. On Sunday the 27th, Navy Day, the 9:30 a.m. Mass in the All Faith Chapel will be offered for all the men and women now serving in the U.S. Navy and Marine Corps.

Navy Sabbath attempts to promote mutual understanding between the American public and Navy and Marine Corps personnel and their families through religious observances during this period. Navy and Marine Corps personnel — active, inactive, or retired — are encouraged to attend religious services in uniform during Navy Sabbath weekend. Moreover, civilian worshippers across the land are being asked to remember in prayers the personal sacrifices being made by Navy and Marine men and women and their families.

In Navy Sabbath Services and celebrations across the Nation special remembrance will be given to the nearly three-quarters of a million Navy men and women manning more than 900 active fleet ships, 8,000 aircraft and nearly 300 major supporting installations throughout the world.

Particular remembrance of the families of Navy and Marine personnel will also be made in these services. A great strain has been put on family ties especially in recent years. There are long periods of separation and inability to communicate. Their courage and sacrifices for us deserve our spiritual support.

Navy Chief of Chaplains, Rear Admiral James J. Kelly, has invited all religious leaders at home to unite with the Navy Chaplains and their men abroad in the prayerful observance of Navy Sabbath.

In support of the observance Admiral Kelly said, "A great number of our men and their families have a magnificently firm and deep faith in God and are convinced that they are serving Him in and through their military vocations. It is my earnest hope and prayer that during Navy Sabbath weekend many thousands of citizens across our land will pray for our men in uniform and wherever possible join with them in the worship of Almighty God."

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SERVICES

Protestant—(All Faith Chapel)—
Morning Worship—8:15 and 11 a.m.
Sunday School—9:30 a.m., Chapel Annexes 1, 2, 3, 4 (Dorms 5, 6, 7, 8) located opposite Center Restaurant.

Roman Catholic (All Faith Chapel)—
Holy Mass—7, 9:30 a.m., and 12:30 p.m. Sunday.

Daily Mass—11:30 a.m. in Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Saturday, 8:30 a.m.

Confessions—7 to 8:00 p.m. Saturday.

NWC Jewish Services (East Wing All Faith Chapel)—8 p.m. every first and third Friday.

Sabbath School—10 a.m. to noon, every first and third Saturday.

Unitarian Fellowship—(Chapel Annex 95, 95 King Ave.)—Sundays, 7:30 p.m.

Helen Cornett Is
BPW Outstanding
Community Woman

In keeping with the theme, "Let Your Light Shine," chosen by Marjorie Reed, President of the China Lake Business and Professional Women's Club, to carry on the year's activity, the Club has turned the spotlight on Helen Cornett, a Supervisory Technical Editor (Engineering), in the Weapons Development Department, Treasurer of China Lake BPW Club and a member since 1964.

Mrs. Cornett was unanimously chosen to attend the Tri-Valley District Honor Luncheon on Saturday, September 28, during the Twelfth Annual Fall Conference, at the Huntington Sheraton Hotel in Pasadena, as Outstanding Community Woman. At that time, the District paid tribute to outstanding women chosen from its 27 clubs for their achievements and accomplishments.

Factors considered in choosing each of these women were success in her chosen field and her interests and accomplishments in the community activities.



HELEN CORNETT

Helen Cornett is a native Californian and has resided at China Lake since 1945. She was first employed here in 1946 by the Employee Welfare Association to administer the first Hospital Insurance Group Plan. In 1949, she began a 3-year career as insurance administrator and hospital registrar at the Ridgecrest Hospital and Clinic.

As mother of six children, she has contributed much time and effort to Girl Scout Troop 339, Cub Scouts, Little League, and has been a continuous member of PTA for 23 years.

Her husband, Nathaniel Cornett, is an electronic computer technician in the Weapons Development Department.

As Outstanding Community Woman, she rode the China Lake BPW Club float in the Desert Empire Fair Parade on Saturday, October 5, which placed second among the horse-drawn vehicle entries. Members of the China Lake BPW Club "spotlight" this outstanding woman as they observe National Business Women's Week, October 20-26, which has been set aside as a week of accolades for women's achievements.

'DESERT PHILOSOPHER'

Death Valley
1968

By "POP" LOFINCK



Mark these dates on your calendar in red, November 8-9-10-11, Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday for the 19th Annual Death Valley Encampment. It gets better every year and is one of the outstanding events to be held anywhere in the west.

Last year (1967) 20,000 people of all ages attended. This figure was determined by road checks at the entrances to the Death Valley National Monument. There is no admission charge.

It's like a campus or college reunion for all the Desert Rats — Deserters — and desert dwellers of the Southwest. Also they come from as far away as Australia and Alaska.

The term "Deserter" is a sort of degree or title for successful, accomplished Desert Rats — they could be a Deserter without having been a real Desert Rat.

Reservations for rooms are made months in advance, but there may be a chance, due to drop outs, if you act now. So, if you want a room in Furnace Creek Inn or Ranch, your only chance, at this late date, is to write to Fred Harvey Company, 527 South Olive Street, Los Angeles 90013, or phone Madison 7-8048. For a Stove Pipe Wells Village reservation write Death Valley, Calif., 92328.

Of if you have a trailer or camper, bring it and camp with the trailer crowd at no charge. Bring enough bedding and a jacket since the nights are sometimes cool. Bring wood for your own campfire if you are going to cook; none is available except in stores. Bring folding chairs or camp stools for the evening activities.

The Furnace Creek camp ground is adjacent to the Visitor's Center. Texas Spring Campground is a mile away from there.

Meals are available in the area at Stove Pipe Wells Village, Furnace Creek Ranch and Inn. Scotty's Cattle, Panamint Springs, and Wild Rose Station. Groceries and meats are available at the Furnace Creek Store.

Get a complete program from a service station or at the museum in Death Valley; it's too long for this column.

A few highlights — First event is at 8:30 a.m. on Friday: Historical Breakfast, \$1.50. Death Valley history will come alive through the eyes of a featured speaker, Matt Ryan, a long time resident of the Valley. This is a new event at Stove Pipe Wells.

Why not go to the Valley Thursday night, ahead of the crowd.

The whole of Death Valley is a vast geological museum. Anthropologists say positive evidence has been uncovered of human habitation 20,000 years ago. There are Mammoth tracks (long-haired elephants) in a canyon on the east side of the Valley. No visitors can go there unless accompanied by a Park Ranger.

Watching the ever-changing symphony of beautiful colors on the surrounding mountains is a pleasure and an experience you won't soon forget. It's relaxing, too.

How low can you get? At Badwater. You should have your picture taken by the big sign that says you are 282 feet below sea level, lowest point in the western hemisphere. Your prints should make good Christmas cards. Different. Picture material is unlimited, so don't forget your camera.

If you are a writer or want to be a writer, don't miss the Authors' Breakfast for \$1.75 on the Furnace Creek Golf Course at 8 a.m., Saturday, November 9.

Here you will meet outstanding writers who have contributed to desert literature. It's educational.

Next week this column will be about places to go in Death Valley that are not on the program.

Drive carefully — the life you save may be one of my readers.



NEW IDEAS FOR HOLIDAY MOTIFS were given by Mrs. Camillus Angel (r), nationally accredited flower show judge and landscape design critic, at the Oasis Garden Club's recent luncheon held at the Commissioned Officers' Club. Mrs. Bernice Meade (l) was program chairman of the event.

Cdr. Forbis Is New Skipper
Of NWC Corona Laboratories

Commander Roy E. Forbis, USN, assumed Command of the Naval Weapons Center Corona Laboratories in a short ceremony yesterday, October 24, on the lawn at the Corona facility.

Captain Robert L. Wessel, USN, who was relieved by Commander Forbis, will retire from the Navy on October 31.

The Navy Band from Cruiser-Destroyer Force Pacific furnished spirited background music for the ceremony, and began the formalized program with the playing of the National Anthem.

Monsignor Thompson of St. Edwards Catholic Church, Corona gave the invocation, and Captain H. A. McNeill, ChC, USN, of NWC China Lake, pronounced the benediction.

Preceding the reading of orders, Capt. M. R. Etheridge, presented a short talk, and Capt. R. L. Wessel also spoke briefly. LCDr. W. A. Livingston, USN, was the master of ceremonies. Approximately 500 employees were on the lawn for the festive occasion.

A reception in the Norcon Club followed the ceremony.

He is married to the former Helen Anderson. They have

three children, Helen Susan, Roy Jr., and Jeanne Ann. The Commander is active in community affairs and is currently president of the Kiwanis Club of Norco, California.

Commander Roy E. Forbis, USN, is the Executive Officer of the Naval Weapons Center Corona Laboratories. In this capacity he is charged with carrying out the orders of Command, and serving as Commanding Officer in the absence of that officer. He has served in this billet since July, 1966.

A Naval Aviator, Cdr. Forbis has occupied a number of Fleet Air assignments including All Weather Attack Squadron 35, where he was Special Weapons and Projects Officer from 1956 to 1958. Other duty included Ordnance Officer, Staff, Commander in Chief, U.S. Naval Forces Europe 1963-66; and Nuclear Weapons Training Officer, Staff, Commander in Chief, Atlantic Fleet, 1961-63.

Commander Forbis was born in Missouri, and attended the University of Missouri, and Iowa State College. He completed his flight training and was designated a Naval Aviator in 1944.

Gem Show This Weekend

The Indian Wells Gem and Mineral Society will hold its 12th Annual Show this coming Saturday and Sunday, October 26th and 27th at the Community Center. The theme for this year's show is "The Art of Gems." There will be no admission charge. An open gate will be in effect for show visitors during the show hours: 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Saturday and 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Sunday.

Approximately 70 cases of gems, minerals, and fossils will be on exhibit to delight the visitor. Mildred DeHarold will give a demonstration Saturday afternoon on some of the techniques used in lost wax jewelry casting. Lapidary equipment used to cut and polish gem stones will also be operating throughout the show.

Club member Ed Wagner

will be on hand Saturday night and Sunday afternoon to again demonstrate the art of painting under "Black Light." Wagner's paintings have always created great interest at past shows.

At 3:00 p.m. on Sunday Wilma Zeutzius will treat the show viewers to her piano talents.

At 6:00 p.m. Tom Turnbaugh and Barbara McDowell will render both vocal duets and solos. They will be accompanied by Clayton Akima on the piano.

At 8:00 p.m. the Sevaetasi Sisters, Line and Mafina will perform Samoan and other South Sea dances. The Sisters were born in American Samoa and have performed at the Hawaiian Village at Waikiki and with the South Pacific Dancing Troup in New York.

Davidove Field
To Be Dedicated
Wed., Oct. 30

On Wednesday, October 30, at 3:30 p.m., a plot of ground in the vicinity of Knox Rd. and Randolph Sts. will be dedicated as Davidove Field.

The event will be attended by community dignitaries, including Capt. M. R. Etheridge, who will perform the dedication.

The field has been named after PFC Ernest F. Davidove, USA, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Davidove of 212-A Dobb Rd., China Lake. The soldier was chosen because he was the first man from China Lake to be killed in the Viet Nam conflict, and because of his great interest in working with youth. Davidove Field will be a living memorial to him and his comrades-in-arms from China Lake who have given their lives for their country.

The dedication will be attended by the Color Guard from the Naval Air Facility and the Burroughs High School Band.

The entire concept of Davidove Field is a product of a corps of community volunteers who completed the endeavor in cooperation with the NWC Command. Don Cooper, Community Council President coordinated the effort and called it a perfect example of community zeal and spirit.

"A special mention should also be made concerning the contributions made by the Seabees of RMCB 17," he asserted, "whose local and Bakersfield units gave of their time and talents to do the building, grading, and other construction jobs that made the field what it is."

All residents of the China Lake community are invited to attend the dedication.

Social Security Rep.
At Community Center
Wednesday, Oct. 30

All China Lakers with questions about Social Security provisions may contact a representative from the Administration here next Wednesday, October 30.

He will be at the Community Center from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m., and is available for consultation.

CSC Reissues
Examination

(Continued from Page 3)

specified in the examination announcement before filing. Interested applicants should file Qualifications Statement (Standard Form 171) with the Federal activity in which employment is sought. Deadline for filing applications is April 15 for Group II, III and IV jobs.

Application forms and Announcement information for all Groups are available from college placement offices, most Boards of Examiners, U.S. Civil Service Commission and the Personnel Department Employment Office, Naval Weapons Center.

Museum Readies Offerings



MATURANGO PRIZE — A photograph taken by William Fettkether and tinted by Museum Director K. H. Robinson, will be among the prizes offered by the Maturango Museum at a drawing to be held at the Combined Marine Birthday and 25th Anniversary Ball November 9 at the Community Center. The photo was chosen from a gallery of studies made recently by Fettkether on the ancient Britlecone Pines.

Advance Sales Closing For
NWC Commemorative Medallion

Photographs above show the distinctive character of the first commemorative medallion received at NWC. As the die run proceeds, partial orders will be received.

The die manufacturer, Palomar Company of Los Angeles, expects to finish enough coins so that salesmen will have at least one to show by Monday, October 28. The first order, for a total of 3,000 coins will be finished before the Anniversary date of November 8.

Designed by illustrators of the Technical Information Department, the medallion symbolizes service to the Fleet. Of historical interest to the NWC is the carrier shown on the medal, the Enterprise (CVA(N)-65), world's first nuclear-powered aircraft carrier.

Commissioned on November 25, 1961, the first skipper was Captain V. P. de Poix (now Vice Admiral) who was a rocket firing pilot at Harvey Field.

as a lieutenant in the fall of 1943. Later the Enterprise was the flagship of RADM John T. Hayward. Commander Task Force 136, the Station's first Experimental Officer. Much earlier, during WWII, RADM Sherman E. Burroughs, USN (Ret.), first Commander of NOTS Invokern, served aboard the Big E in 1942 as a Commander and was the Gunnery Officer for aircraft.

The aircraft shown is a A4 Douglas Skyhawk which is carrying stores that include missiles and rockets of the types developed here.

The advance sale is closing soon. There are a few more vouchers available, which guarantee a medallion to the purchaser. Navy League salesmen are Francis Carlisle, Howard Sumrall, Jim Wheeler, Herb King, Archie Meyer and Larry Stephens. Consult the Rocketeer of October 11 for a list of NWC representatives.

HELP STOP FIRES

THE LOCKER ROOM

Athlete Of
The Month

BY ED RANCK



It's unlikely that anyone is really going to believe this, but an Athlete of the Month program is scheduled to get underway here in a few weeks. Although there have been several abortive attempts to provide this type of recognition for local competitors, there is a good chance that this time the project will become a month to month reality.

On at least three previous occasions, the idea nearly got off the ground. Twice the program was in the planning stages, and for three months last fall the Schick Awards were presented to local military athletes.

The Schick program had been accepted here on a trial basis, but after a short time it proved to be unsatisfactory.

Under the specifications laid down by the Schick Awards Committee, the trophy has to go to a military athlete. The awardee is then nominated for the Navy Regional Trophy, and if he wins there, he can go on to become the Armed Forces athlete of the month. At the end of the year, the monthly winners are gathered together and at this time an athlete of the year is chosen.

Although you must concede that the Schick program is a good one, you have to wonder if it is really suitable at China Lake. First, the candidate had to be a military man, and with the civilian to military ratio being what it is here, the winner isn't necessarily the best choice. This is not to say that there aren't any military athletes that are worthy of the honor, but for a true selection to be made, the civilians have to be considered.

When being considered for additional recognition, the local candidate was in competition with men who had distinguished themselves in athletics at the varsity level. Realizing this, it became apparent that those chosen at China Lake didn't stand much of a chance when the regional selections were made.

According to Gabe Imer, the award is going to be given to individuals whose athletic feats have been particularly significant, or whose contributions to sports have been outstanding. The determining factor will not necessarily be based on a person's overall performance on the playing field, and in many cases the winner may be, essentially, a non-athlete.

For instance a person can be selected for contributions in the field of youth athletic programs such as coaching or voluntary work of this nature. A person can also be selected for an individual performance on the field which was particularly significant.

Using this method of selection, the awards committee will be able to afford recognition to many whose contributions would otherwise go unnoticed. Although the idea is to call it the Athlete of the Month Award, Sportsman of the Month would probably be more appropriate, because as many have proven before, there is more to sports than running up and down the field with a football.

Players Ready "Iguana"



VACATIONERS FROM NAZI GERMANY As Herr and Frau Fahrenkopf, a German tank manufacturer and his wife on vacation during the England Blitz, Dave and Karen Seppich view the wheelchair used by the old poet in "The Night of the Iguana." Produced by the China Lake Players, the play is scheduled for November 14-16 and 21-23 at James E. Monroe School, Ridgecrest, said director Bob Pinney.

Al Ferris High Man At Local Lanes

In the Midway League, Al Ferris was high, hitting a 642 with games of 216 and 240 along the way. Bob Tegowski rolled high game with 246 and finished with a 610 series. Ken Dalpiaz was also at the 600 mark, with single games of 210 and 200. Other top individual games included Chuck Cutsinger, 242; Bob Sickles, 227; Cliff Moss and Walker Whitmore 226; Dick Cox, 216; John Shepard, 213; and Jim Barkhoff and Bill Esch, 212. In team action, the Elks Lodge established the single game mark for the league, hitting a

1024. Bob Zimmer led the Desert League with 210-236-187 for a 633 series. Bob Owens took single game honors with 245 and the Kiwanis rolled high team series with 3058.

In the China Lake Women's Handicap League, Betty Kirwin was tops with 219-166-181 and a 566 series. Doris Boyack led the Monday Night Scratch League with 558 while Mary Jane Clark had a 224. Carol Mayers rolled a 222 and 519 to take singles and series honors in the Thursday Afternoon

Trio. Wanda Magers was next with 513.

In the Friday Foursome, Bob Owens and Don Tucker hit 246 while Jim Ball had 233 and Dick Noland rolled a 232. Ball and Dick Furstenburg tied for series honors with 613. Wilma Johnson rolled a 519 to lead the ladies and Royce Dowd had 509. Ginger Tucker had high single game with 208. Other top games in the Foursome included Jack Herbstreit, 217; Dick Furstenburg, 229-217; George Baker, 212; Dan Branson 211-205 and Ken Dalpiaz 207.

VX-5 Topples NAF At Schoeffel



FLAG FOOTBALL ACTION — The photograph above is a dramatic representation of the action that has been

each Tuesday and Thursday evenings at Schoeffel Field. Teams from VX-5 and NAF are shown battling here.

The VX-5 Vampires defeated the NAF Hawks, 26-12, Tuesday evening to maintain their position at the top of the China Lake Flag Football League. In a game that was a lot closer than the final score indicated, the Vampires won their third in a row and virtually assured themselves of a berth in the 11th Naval District Tournament at Long Beach.

Although their offense was held in check most of the way, the Vampires scored on four sensational plays to overcome the tough Hawk defense. Gary Ellwanger scored three times and Ron Lyons once, with three of the TD's coming on plays that covered over 50 yards. In the dying moments of the game it was Ellwanger's 60 yard sprint that rallied the clincher.

After the Hawks had been stopped on the VX-5 29 yard line early in the game, Lyons tossed a halfback pass to Ellwanger on a play that covered

51 yards for the Vampires first score. The Hawks moved 60 yards in 9 plays midway through the second period to tie the game. A pair of sweeps by Bob Loft and Fran Rose moved the ball to the Vampire 31. The Hawks lost 4 yards on two running plays and an incomplete pass made it fourth down on the 35. Don Williams then hit Rose for 13 yards, and a tackling penalty moved the ball to the 11. Three plays later, Williams connected with Scott Miller for the tying touchdown.

Lyons put the Vampires back in the lead with a 62 yard touchdown run on the opening kickoff of the third period. Lyons took the ball on his own 18, picked up a pair of great blocks at the Hawk 38, and went in to make the score 12-6. After the Hawks had been forced to kick from their own 11, VX-5 went to work from the NAF 29.

NAF needed 7 plays and three Vampire penalties to pick

up their next touchdown. Williams hit Rose with a 10 yard pass on the Hawk 30 and a holding penalty moved the ball to the VX-5 35. Another completed pass and a second holding penalty gave the Hawks a first down on the 15. Three plays later, Rose went over from three yards out for the touchdown.

The Hawks came close to tying the game late in the fourth period. From the NAF 34, Williams hit Loft for 40 yards to the Vampire 6. The Vampire defense held at this point and four plays later VX-5 took over on the 10.

After John Shivers had picked up 10 yards, Ellwanger took a short pass from Draper and went 60 yards for the final score.

FOOTBALL STATISTICS				
	W	L	PF	PA
VX-5	3	0	91	24
NAF	2	0	109	43
Crobs	2	2	87	39
Outlaws	1	1	27	32
Genge	0	3	12	162

Next Week's Schedule
October 29—NAF vs. Genge.
October 30—Crobs vs. Outlaws.
October 31—VX-5 vs. Genge.

Center Library
Remains Open

The Center Library is maintaining regular hours of operation during the current remodeling. Although the Bennington Plaza entrance is closed, patrons may enter the Library on the east side of the building, facing Richmond Road, advises Maryon Ward, librarian.

Library hours are Monday-Friday, 1 p.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday 2 p.m. to 9 p.m.



Assessments Due

Members of the Government Employees Benefit Association and the China Lake Mutual Aid Society are reminded that Assessments 163-91 are now due. Assessments have been levied due to the death of Minerva L. Oliver, former employee of Maintenance Control Branch, who succumbed Monday, October 21 in Los Angeles.

Payments of \$1.20 may be mailed to Joseph M. Becker, Secretary-Treasurer, 77-B Renshaw, China Lake, Calif.

CSC Reissues
Examination For
Summer Employee

The Civil Service Commission has recently re-issued its examination announcement covering 1969 summer employment in a wide variety of occupations in Federal activities. This announcement, numbered 414, covers summer employment in four general groups of jobs.

Group I includes jobs in grades GS-1 through GS-4, and PFS-4 (Post Office Seasonal Assistant). These jobs are found in most Federal activities, including Naval Weapons Center, China Lake and Corona. Group I jobs are to be filled from a list of eligibles resulting from the Summer Employment Examination. Applicants must be age 18 or high school graduates who are at least 16 years old. Applications must be made by Application Card Form 5000-AB to: Summer Employment Examination, U.S. Civil Service Commission, 1900 E Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20415.

Applications received by November 6 will be scheduled for examination on December 7; by December 6 on January 11; by January 3 on February 8; and by February 30 on March 8.

You must apply early to receive maximum consideration. Agencies may begin making selections after applicants applying by December 6, 1968, have been tested and entered on the list of eligibles.

For certain jobs which require early selection the lists of eligibles may be used after the first test. Therefore, the earlier you apply and take the test the greater will be your opportunities for selection.

If you received an eligible notice of rating on the 1968 Summer Employment Examination, you are not required to take the written test to be considered for summer jobs in 1969. You will be sent a special form to complete to update your qualifications and availability. However, if you want to improve your score, you may take the 1969 Summer Employment Examination.

Group II jobs do not require a written examination but are located only in the Department of Agriculture, the Department of the Interior, the Department of State and the Veterans' Administration.

Group III jobs are in grades GS-5 and above, require at least a bachelor's degree or equivalent experience, and are to be found in many Federal activities, including Naval Weapons Center, China Lake and Corona. Applicants for Group III jobs seeking employment at Naval Weapons Center, China Lake should forward Qualifications Statement (Stand. Form 171) and complete transcript to the Personnel Department, Employment Division (Code 652), after February 1, 1969 but not later than April 15, 1969.

Group IV jobs are mostly laborer jobs with no education or experience requirements and are located in only certain Federal activities.

Age and experience requirements vary for Group II, III and IV jobs, so applicants should review requirements (Continued on Page 7)



CAPT. JACKSON F. MCKINNEY recently reported aboard to head the NWC Dental Department. Capt. McKinney claims Springfield, Missouri as his hometown. He attended Southwest Baptist College, the University of Missouri at Kansas City where he received his DDS, and the Naval Dental School in Bethesda, Maryland. Also he has had two years residency in oral surgery. From 1960 to 1966, Capt. McKinney was Chief of the Oral Surgery Section at the San Diego Naval Training Center. Prior to his arrival at the Center, he was District Dental Officer at Kodiak, Alaska. He and his wife Florence reside at 511 Essex Circle. Their son, Paul, is a senior at San Diego State College.

ASPA Luncheon
Discusses Mental
Health Problems

The American Society for Public Administration (ASPA) will hold a sit-down luncheon in the Mojave Room, Commissioned Officers' Mess at 11:30 a.m., Wednesday, October 30, stated Bruce Wertenberger, publicity chairman.

A. R. McCorkle, Director of Desert Area Family Service, will be the luncheon speaker. He will discuss the mental health problems of Ridgecrest and China Lake and will tell of the services available through the Desert Area Family Service. A question and answer period will follow his presentation.

McCorkle is a member of the National Association of Social Academy of Certified Social Workers. He is also a member of the American Interprofessional Institute and served on the Nebraska Governor's Committee on Children and Youth for three years. Since coming to China Lake, McCorkle has lectured to various service organizations and has been an extension instructor for the University of California, Santa Barbara.

A cordial invitation to attend this interesting talk is extended to all ASPA members and interested persons by Dr. Robert Rowntree, president of the China Lake Chapter of ASPA.

Fleet Reserve
Reveals Plans
For Future Tasks

The Fleet Reserve Association Branch and Unit No. 95 met in their rejuvenated clubhouse, 365 McIntire, on October 9, to launch new fund-raising activities and a busy calendar of events for the remainder of the year.

Foremost on the agenda is a Halloween party for exceptional children of the Indian Wells Valley, to be staged Wednesday night, October 30, in the clubhouse.

On October 31, the ladies of the Fleet Reserve Association Auxiliary will be selling home-baked goodies at NAF Hangar No. 3, from 9 a.m. until sold out. Contributions of food for the sale will be received the night before or early Thursday by the following officials: Mrs. Verne Tracey, president, 308-B Entwistle; Mrs. Floyd Goldy, chairman, 1213 First Place; or Mrs. George Stands, chaplain, 209 Valley Ave., Inyokern.

The unit is also organizing a series of sewing sessions, for the preparation of giftwares to be sold on a gala occasion (to be announced later) to help finance Thanksgiving and Christmas dinner - baskets traditionally presented to the Center Chaplain for distribution to needy Navy families. Canned goods for this purpose will be collected from the membership at the next meeting, Nov. 13, as well.

If successful, the sewing circles will become a year-round project, according to Mrs. Tracey. Mrs. Goldy is acting as chairman for the new group, and would welcome offers of participation at NWC ext. 725711. In addition to the fellowship of working together, the program is expected to bolster the Good and Welfare commitments of the unit, which this year will feature hospital visitations by Mrs. Lelia Parker, chaplain's assistant.

Regular obligations under the Unit Standing Rules, recently revised by a committee headed by Mrs. Philip Matthews, which will also benefit by sale of the handmade gifts, include annual donations to the IVW Council for Retarded Children, the City of Hope, March of Dimes, the LAFRA Pilgrimage Fund, and the Kern County Christmas Seal drive.

In other business, president Goldy of the branch appointed Frank DeLeon to the board of directors in place of George Johnson, whose resignation was accepted; and the unit ratified appointment of Mrs. William Sherlock who volunteered to complete the unexpired term as vice-president of Mrs. Robert Reese, recently transferred out of the area.

PROMOTIONAL
OPPORTUNITIES

General Foreman I Carpenter, Ann. No. NWC-1Va-18(68), issued October 21, 1968. Applicants must be either Career or Career-Conditional employees of the Naval Weapons Center, China Lake, or Corona, California. File Card Form NAVEXOS-4155-AB and Standard Form 171 with the Special Examiner, China Lake, California, on or before November 4, 1968. NOTE: The above announcement has been extended to November 11, 1968.

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FREEDOM SHARES**

"M For Murder" Tonight



A PLOT OF INTRIGUE, MURDER AND BLACKMAIL — Jan Stevens (l-r) and Herb Childers will star in the Community Light Opera production, "Dial M for Murder," at Murray School auditorium October 25, 26 and November 1, 2 at 8:15 p.m., with a matinee on October 26 at 2 p.m. Other performers are John Williams as Tony Wendice, Everett Baker as Police Inspector Hubbard, and a mystery actor will take the role of Capt. Lesgate, said J. D. Gerrard-Gough, director.

CENTER LIBRARY LISTS NEW BOOKS

A complete list of new books is available in the library.

Fiction

Bradford—Red Sky at Morning.
Coe—Murder Among Children.
Gallery—The Brink.
Marsh—Best Sports Stories, 1968.
Zerwick—The Cassiopeia Affair.

Non-Fiction

Baldrige—Of Diamonds and Diplomats.
Greene—Modern Man in Search of Manhood.
Lall—How Communist China Negotiates.
Lore—Mysteries of the Skies.
Sanger—Insurgent Era.
Sheridan—Fund Raising for the Small Organization.
Silverstone—U.S. Warships of World War II.
Sturberg—Essentials of Electricity-Electronics.



TOGETHERNESS — An old story to U.S. Servicemen and needy children. U.S. Servicemen and the American-Korean Foundation have worked together for 16 years helping Korea's children to a better life. A volunteer enjoys Christmas lunch with children from Yonchon Widows' Village. Before this village was rebuilt with bright new earth block houses, U.S. servicemen rescued many widows and their children when their ramshackle huts burned down and provided temporary shelter during rebuilding. Give your fair share in NWC's Combined Federal Campaign. For kids around the world your gift is needed once for all.

Commercials Highlight Wacom Talent Night

Vaudeville Makes Brief Reappearance

Last Saturday night in the Mojave room of the Commissioned Officers' Mess, members were treated to a delightful "put-on" and some excellent routines when the WACOM Talent Night production finally hit the lights.

The show, which was punctuated by parodies on well-known television commercials, started off with LCdr. Barry Carmody, accompanied by a bevy of beautiful belles, singing the theme song "Come To The Cabaret." The prettily costumed "belles" added to the number with a few well-paced kicks which were choreographed by Malo Pickett.

The pictures on the right serve to describe the TV commercials that were panned, but much of it would be difficult to recreate in but one photograph. One would be safe in assuming, however, that the Madison Avenue folks who originally dreamed up these messages would be less than overjoyed at their treatment. Be that as it may, the presentations, narrated by Joan Bustard, were hilariously funny.

As for the rest of the show, Jeanne Gritton and George Linsteadt sang an enchanting duet of "If Ever I Should Leave You;" Barry Carmody delivered an epic monologue as he imagined how it would be if a caterer was called upon by LBJ to plan Linda Bird's wedding; Therese Valenteen belted "Second Hand Rose;" Dan Lydon provided a banjo medley; Wayne Carpenter sang "On a Clear Day."

The topper of the evening came when Capt. M. R. Etheridge emerged from the curtain toting a neat candelabra and walked to Sam Sevier's piano. When the chuckling subsided, he commenced a neat piano medley that thrilled the audience.

All in all, the production, capably directed by Leah Little, was cleverly presented. All those who worked on the offering are to be heartily congratulated. Dan Lydon and his band, who played the accompaniment for the soloists should receive special mention for their outstanding contribution, which didn't end when the show was finished. They went right back to work providing dance music for the gala festivities that followed.

Shopping Trip

The WACOM shopping trip to Los Angeles is planned for November 4. The round-trip bus fare is \$9 per person and Monday, October 28, is the deadline for paid reservations. Ethel Kaufman, at Ext. 723381, is in charge of arrangements.

The trip schedule will provide plenty of time to get your shopping done plus lunch and an early dinner before returning home. All those interested in the trip are reminded to contact Ethel Kaufman as soon as possible.



NOW WE'VE ENTERTAINED YOU — WACOM Talent Night entertainers marched out for their final bow after a delightful extravaganza of potpourri. Left to Right, they are: Dr. Tom Amlie; George Linsteadt; Flo Garrich; Barry Carmody; Theresa Val-

enteen; Lt. Col. Rice; Leah Little, who directed the show; Capt. M. R. Etheridge; Barbara Hintz; Wayne Carpenter; Malo Pickett; Jeanne Gritton; Stephanie Landau; and Kitty Lockwood. The show was performed in the Sun Room at the COM.

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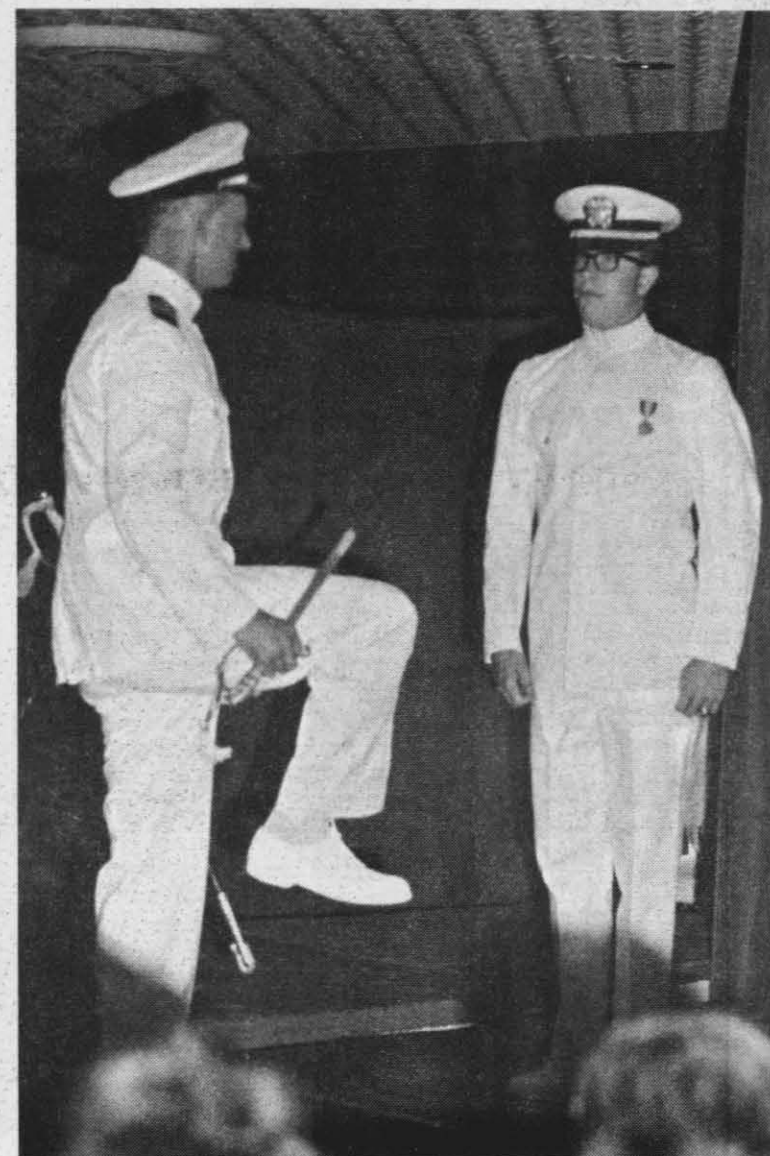
IT'S EASY TO GROW EASY-GROW — Toiling diligently in this ancient setting, John Burgstrom and Lt. Col. K. P. Rice depict the merits of togetherness regardless of what ones circumstances happens to be at the present time. But, in reality, it's all part of the fun and games played Saturday night at the COM on the occasion of WACOM's recent Talent Night Production.



THERE'S MORE TO A WHITE OWL THAN JUST THE SMOKE — So said the white-feathered friend as the foliage parted. The "put-on" was a parody on the TV commercial in which a beautiful girl in a white bird costume sounds out the praises of WHITE OWL Cigars. If one were to call this White Owl, however, he answers to the name of "Hack."



MRS. CLEAN — A treatment of a soap commercial seen many times on television was provided by this winsome "lass" who also treated the audience to a display of how one wears red hush puppies wherever one goes.



WENT TOO FAR — Lt.(j.g.) John Burgstrom is summarily stripped of his rank and "drummed out of the corps" by his commanding officer for having left his family defenseless by running off with the Left Guard. The WACOM Talent Night Presentation was punctuated with similar vignettes that panned the better known TV commercials.

VX-5 Hails New Commander

A concert by the COMNAV-AIRPAC band from San Diego and an invocation by Chaplain Irvin Thompson opened the Change of Command ceremonies held last Friday outside of Hangar One at the Naval Air Facility.

The opening ceremony was highlighted by a flyover of A-4, A-7, and F-4 aircraft from

VA-112, VA-146 and VF-121 respectively.

An address by RAdm. F. L. Pinney, Commander, Operational Test and Evaluation Forces, was concluded by the presentation by the admiral of a plaque to outgoing VX-5 Commander, Capt. W. B. Muncie.

Capt. Muncie, who has been the Commanding Officer of Air

Development Squadron One for the past two years, is being transferred for duty to OPNAV as head of the strike warfare section of Aviation Plans and Requirements. He and his family resided at 509 Essex Circle at China Lake.

VX-5's Administrative Commander, RAdm. S. R. Brown,

Jr., was also present for the ceremony. He is also COMFAIRALAMEDA.

As the formal ceremony continued, Capt. Muncie read his orders to his new command as is the tradition, followed by a reading of orders by the new squadron Commander, Capt. C. B. Fritz.

After a review of the personnel in the squadron, the ceremony ended with a benediction by Chaplain Jude Senieur.

The Change of Command took place at the Naval Air Facility at 2 p.m. on October 11. A reception followed in the Mojave Room of the Commissioned Officers' Mess.



QUICK SALUTE — During the Change of Command ceremony, 4 A-4, 4 A-7, and 4 F-4 aircraft from VA-112, VA-146, and VF-121 respectively, flew over in a diamond formation saluting the ceremony. The COMCRUDESPEC band was also available to play the appropriate music for the occasion. The ceremony was held at Hangar One.



OUTGOING COMMANDER — Capt. W. B. Muncie, former commander of VX-5 is presented a memorial plaque by Rear Admiral F. L. Pinney, Jr. RAdm. Pinney presented the plaque after addressing the audience during the ceremony. He is the Commander of Operational Test and Evaluation Forces.



Captain Fritz Formerly Based At Pax River

The new commanding officer of VX-5 is married to the former Eve Browne of Washington, D.C. They have five sons, two of whom live at home, which is now 607-A Lexington Avenue, China Lake. Their oldest son, a chief warrant officer in the Army, is serving in Vietnam as a helicopter pilot. Another son is married and lives in Washington, D.C., while still another lives in Atlanta, Ga.

Capt. Fritz hails from Arlington, Va., where he began his naval career as an enlisted man. Commissioned in June, 1943, he has held many important responsible positions. He holds a B.A. degree in mathematics from George Washington University and an M.S. degree in Aeronautical Engineering from Princeton.

Capt. Fritz comes to China Lake from NATC Patuxent River, where he served as Program Manager on the A7 Corsair and OV-10 Bronco aircraft. Recently, he was also assigned as Chief Staff Officer of Air Group 4 stationed at Cecil Field, Fla.

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NEW COMMANDER REVIEWS TROOPS — After taking command of Air Development Squadron Five at the Naval Air Facility on October 18, Capt. C. W. Fritz performs his first personnel inspection. Capt. Fritz was formerly A-7 and OV-10 Program Manager at NATC, Patuxent River.