

## Poppies To Be Sold By Local Veteran Groups, May 28-29

Buddy Poppies made by disabled veterans will be sold next Friday and Saturday, May 28 and 29, by members of the Lloyd E. Frost VFW Ship and Auxiliary and by the John M. Armitage American Legion Auxiliary.

The flowers, which are sold each year around Memorial Day in honor of America's war dead, will be available at all principal buildings around the Station and in the Bennington Plaza area.

Between 65 and 75 per cent of the proceeds from the sale will remain in the local area to be used to provide assistance for needy veterans and their families. The remaining money is used for state and national veterans rehabilitation work; for sponsoring such projects as the VFW national home for widows and orphaned children of veterans; and to cover the cost of materials and payment to hospitalized veterans who assemble the flowers.

The local sales will be directed by Charles Hutchins and Georgia May Hill of the VFW Ship and Auxiliary, respectively, and by Mrs. A. E. Gallinat, for the American Legion Auxiliary.

### COMMISSARY TO CLOSE

The Commissary Store will close at noon Tuesday and remain closed all day Wednesday for the purpose of conducting regular monthly inventory, according to LTJG W. C. Hamilton, Commissary Store officer.



Starting Times: 6 and 8 p.m. daily.  
Kiddies' Matinee (Special Movies):  
1 p.m. Saturday  
Matinee: 1 p.m. Sunday

**TODAY** MAY 21  
"WITNESS TO MURDER" (82 Min.)  
Barbara Stanwyck, George Sanders  
Shorts: "Socco in Morocco" (7 Min.)  
"Rocket Wizard" (10 Min.)  
News (10 Min.)

**SATURDAY** MAY 22  
BARBERSHOP QUARTET PROGRAM, 8 p.m.  
(No movie tonight)

**MATINEE**  
"THE BELLS OF SAN ANGELO" (78 Min.)  
Roy Rogers  
Shorts: "Fox in a Fix" (7 Min.)  
"Gunfighters of the Northwest"  
Chapters 1 and 2 (41 Min.)

**SUN.-MON.** MAY 23-24  
"SARACEN BLADE" (78 Min.)  
Ricardo Montalban, Bette St. John  
Shorts: "Man on the Flying Trapeze" (7 Min.)  
"Rhythm and Rhyme" (15 Min.)

**TUES.-WED.** MAY 25-26  
"CRAZYLEGS—ALL AMERICAN" (87 Min.)  
Elroy Hirsch, Lloyd Nolan  
Shorts: "Well Oiled" (7 Min.)  
"World's Soccer Champs" (10 Min.)  
News (10 Min.)

**THURS.-FRI.** MAY 27-28  
No listing available at press time.

## Songfest Set Tomorrow Night

Plans for the second annual spring show of the Indian Wells Valley Chapter of SPEBSQSA (Society for Preservation and Encouragement of Barbershop Quartet Singing in America) are shaping up rapidly with eight acts scheduled for the program and more expected.

The show which will be held tomorrow at the Station theater, starting at 8 p.m., will include a local chorus, directed by Pat Flynn, and the Harmony Prospectors, a quartet which includes Rex Shacklett, bass; Flynn, baritone; Hank Wair, lead, and Al Pooley, tenor.

Also on the program will be a 21-voice chorus from Pomona; the Pomona Treble Shooters quartet; the Sultans, a Glendale high school quartet; the 1894s from Huntington Park; the Sabre Gents of Inglewood; the Smog Lifters from Whittier, and a chorus from Bakersfield.

Tickets for the show, priced at \$1 per person, may be obtained from any member of the local barbershop singing group or may be purchased at the theater tomorrow evening.

## 27 Enlisted Men Promoted Sunday

Twenty-seven out of a total of 175 enlisted personnel who participated in the advancement in rating examinations conducted last February were promoted, effective Sunday, according to a notice received from the commanding officer of enlisted personnel. They are:

To grade E-6—R. H. Strath, PN1, and E. H. Smith, SK1.

To grade E-5—J. W. Dudley, R. P. Johnson, H. J. Maul, and M. L. Wahlquist, all AT2's; H. B. Bliss, M. C. Brillhart, J. A. Duncan, R. J. B. Harmor, S. R. Sanford and J. E. Thomsen, all ET2's; J. T. Martin, Jr., HM2, and P. M. Lord, RM2.

To grade E-4—G. C. Bailey, AE3; C. T. Baraboo, J. M. Chandler, Jr., J. H. Kerr, J. L. Koch, A. S. Ricker, J. D. Tolbert and E. E. Wineinger, all AT3's; R. C. Darst, MN3; J. K. Forbes and D. A. Toomsen, TE3's; and K. D. Gaskell and K. J. Peitzmeier, YN3's.

## Scout Fund Drive Returns Total \$3030

Contributions totaling \$3030.77 were received in the recent fund drive held for the local Boy Scouts. The campaign was initiated to raise funds to give each scout the full benefits of the scouting program.

A minimum of \$10 is needed for each of the 900 scouts enrolled in the Desert District, which includes Boron, Tehachapi, Mojave, Monolith, Kernville, Inyokern, Ridgecrest, Trona, China Lake, Randsburg and Johannesburg.

Anyone who wishes to make a contribution may still do so by contacting Hugo Meneghelli at 77391 or Dr. Richard Potter at 73051.

## Thousands Attend Ninth Annual Community Council Celebration

A throng of visitors, unofficially estimated at 10,000 attended the ninth annual Community Council Fiesta, held over the past weekend. More than 3665 automobiles entered the Main Gate during the three-day period.

Paula Byrum, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul T. Byrum, a junior at Burroughs High School, won the bathing beauty contest which climaxed the celebration Sunday evening. She received a gold loving cup from Denny Lyons, who served as master of ceremonies for the contest.

Runners-up in the beauty competition were Francine Christie, who received a \$25 defense bond for placing second, and Vicki DeWitt, who was awarded a \$15 gift certificate for coming in third.

Captain D. B. Young, Station Commander, Dr. W. B. McLean, Technical Director, Charles A. Epps, AG2, Sam Stanley, Exalted Ruler of the local Elks Lodge and Ed Heine-man, Douglas Aircraft project engineer, served as contest judges.

Cash prizes also were awarded to the concessionaires with the best decorated booths. The judging was divided into two divisions: (1) food; (2) games and novelties, with prizes of \$15, \$10 and \$5 awarded for first, second and third place. Winners were the Order of the Eastern Star, Blu-Jeans Ranch and the Foursquare Church, in the food division, and the Ceramics Club, VFW and the Lions Club, in the games and novelties division.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Beswick and William Reece, served as judges for the booth competition.

The first of two dances, held Friday night to the music of George Lewis and his New Orleans jazz band, attracted more listeners than it did dancers. A large number of persons sat or stood around the bandstand to applaud the efforts of

the famous Dixieland musicians.

An estimated 200 people took part in the square dancing held on the tennis courts Saturday evening. Several hundred additional people watched the dancers, who came from all over Southern California.

Recipients of the \$100 defense bond given away during the Fiesta were Anthony Joseph Bradley, Jacqueline Ambrose and Riley K. Kline all from China Lake.



PAULA BYRUM won the "Miss Indian Wells Valley" title in the bathing beauty contest that climaxed the three-day Fiesta. As her reward she received a large trophy cup from Denny Lyons, left, the contest master of ceremonies.

### RETAIL STORE TO CLOSE

The Navy Exchange retail store will be closed all day Tuesday for the purpose of conducting the annual inventory required by Navy Exchange regulations. Necessity items, including candies, cigars, tobacco and toilet articles will be available at the new community building from 11:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.



CONCESSION BOOTHS did a thriving business during the three-day Fiesta held at Bennington Plaza. Some 40 concessionaires plied their wares ranging from fried chicken to live baby ducks during the annual Community Council celebration.

### THE WEATHER

Mostly clear over the weekend, with surface winds, light and variable in the mornings, increasing to 12 to 18 knots in the afternoons. Maximum temperatures, 97-102; minimums, 60-65.

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U.S. NAVAL ORDNANCE TEST STATION, CHINA LAKE, CALIF.

### TEMPERATURES

(Housing Area)

	Max.	Min.
May 13	95	54
May 14	97	57
May 15	83	63
May 16	98	62
May 17	103	63
May 18	104	65
May 19	104	68

MAY 21, 1954

## 50 Wherry Homes Released for Rent To NOTS Personnel

The first 50 completed Wherry homes have been turned over for occupancy by Station military and civilian personnel, and 18 more units are expected to be ready by tomorrow night, officials of the Wherry housing project reported.

Overall work on the housing subdivision is proceeding at a good pace, with all insulation work, lathing and roofing completed on the entire 300 units.

Sidewalks have been put in on both sides of Durado St., and a laundry is now in operation at the housing project service building.

Work also has been started on the giant steel framework that will support a 100,000 gallon capacity water tower. The huge tower is to be 125 feet tall, and will insure adequate water pressure throughout the housing area at all times.

The latest additions to the list of Station personnel eligible to rent Wherry homes include the following:

**Military**—William Rogers, SK3; William Kenley, HMC; Roland von Huene, SA; Holland Roberts, ETSN; Ted Weaver, FT1; William P. Geib, FC1, and S/Sgt. Daniel Gilmore.

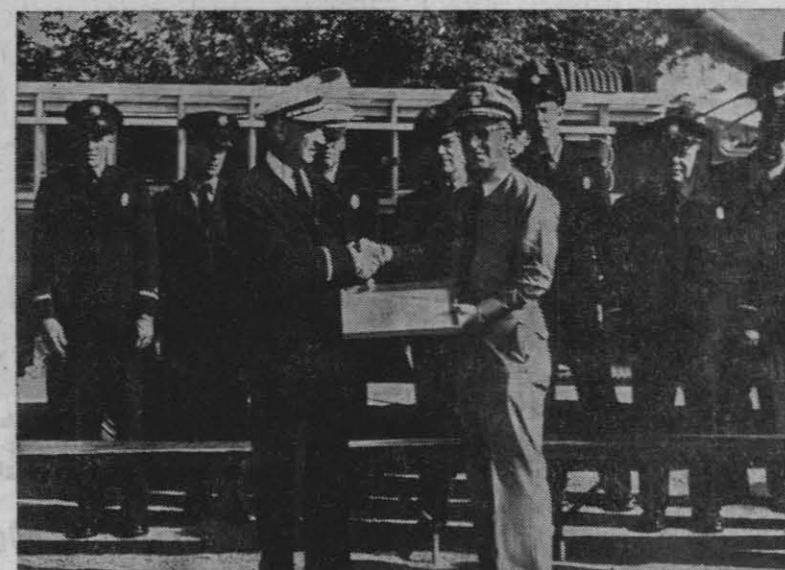
**Civilians**—Stanley Creasey, Roy Casad, Gerald Scranton, Alvin Herman, Irvin Brewer, Albert Blackman, Arlo Westbrook, Albert Duwell, Frank Woodworth, Edward Wade, Chesley Clark, Jack Leslie, Austin Ball, Theron Davis, Delbert Benjamin and Lawrence Beswick.

## Meeting Held On Cross Country Highway Route

A meeting held last week in Ridgecrest by the Cross Country Highway Association was attended by local, county and state officials, to discuss the progress being made on the road. The highway, which has been under construction for some time, will provide an all-weather route from coast to coast.

Captain D. B. Young, Station Commander, addressed the group, and discussed plans for the Navy to turn over a portion of the Randsburg Wash area for passage of the highway. An additional area will be acquired to offset the section given over for a right-of-way.

The meeting also was attended by Senator Charles Brown, Josh Clark, (Continued on Page Five)



CONGRATULATIONS and a certificate of merit were presented to Fire Chief A. C. Wright, left, by Captain D. B. Young, Station Commander, at a ceremony held Tuesday at Fire Station No. 1. For the fourth consecutive year, the local fire fighters placed in the top ten Naval Shore Establishments that entered reports on their observance of Fire Prevention Week.

## Station Fire Fighters Place Tenth In Annual Navywide Competition

A certificate of merit from the National Fire Protection Association was presented Tuesday to the China Lake fire department for placing 10th in a field of 173 naval shore activities that submitted reports on the 1953 observance of Fire Prevention Week.

The certificate, which was accompanied by letters of commendation from Admiral Robert B. Carney, Chief of Naval Operations; Rear Admiral M. F. Schoeffel, Chief, Bureau of Ordnance, and Rear Admiral George C. Dyer, Commandant, 11th Naval District, was presented to Fire Chief A. C. Wright by Captain D. B. Young, Station Commander.

Twenty Naval Shore Establishment activities were selected to receive certificates of merit following the judging of Fire Prevention Week reports for 1953. This is the fourth consecutive year that the local fire fighters have rated among the top ten in the nation in this competition.

A "Well done" to all who participated in this program was forwarded to the Station by Admiral Carney, CNO, at the conclusion of a letter that outlined the extent and purpose of the competition.

Rear Admiral Schoeffel wrote: "Your splendid educational program indicates that all personnel are vitally interested and keenly alert to the advantages of fire prevention. By reducing waste of critically needed material resources and educating all personnel to the hazards and de-

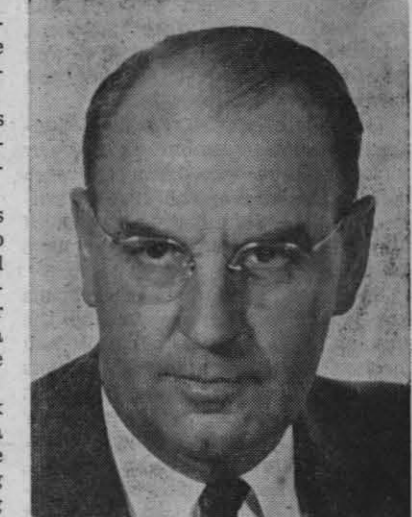
## Polls Open Today For Annual School District Election

Polls at the Richmond Elementary School auditorium were opened today at 7 a.m. for the annual school district election and will remain open until 7 p.m.

All registered voters at China Lake are eligible to participate in the balloting, which is being held to elect three new members to the China Lake Elementary School District board of trustees, and also to determine the successful candidates for two vacancies on the Kern County Union High School District board.

Since this election will determine whether East Kern County will continue to have a representative on the county school board, as well as decide the composition of a majority of the local elementary school board, China Lake school officials this week urged all voters to take part in the balloting.

Albert S. Gould, assistant head of the Station's Central Staff, is the



Albert S. Gould

only East Kern County candidate for the county school board. He has been a member of the board for the past four years, and is seeking reelection as is Emil Bender, of Shafter, the other incumbent whose term of office expires this month.

Two candidates from Bakersfield, John J. Battistoni and Hugh Sill, also are on the county school district ballot. At the present time, the five-man county board already has three Bakersfield representatives.

In the China Lake Elementary School District election, Joseph Haycock is unopposed in his bid for re-election for a three-year term, (Continued on Page Five)

structiveness of fire, you have demonstrated an appreciation of the economic value of an efficiently operated fire prevention program.

Rear Admiral Dyer extended his congratulations to "all whose planning and efforts made this achievement possible."

Captain Young stated that he was personally very proud to be able to make such a presentation, and cited the achievement of the fire department in attaining this high honor for the fourth consecutive year as a wonderful example for the entire Station.

The 1953 Fire Prevention Week program at China Lake included a wide variety of activities—from the distribution of pamphlets containing fire safety suggestions, to the staging of a show that featured demonstrations of all types of available fire fighting equipment.

## Change Announced In Housing Priority

Priority for all zero and one-bedroom housing units was granted in a recent NOTS Instruction to married professional employes in grades GS-5, 7 and 9. This priority includes motels, apartments, Normacs and Hawthornes.

Personnel covered by this notice are asked to contact the Housing Office if they desire to change their housing application. New requests may be considered this quarter.

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## Pre-Season Sale Of Concert Tickets To End May 28

One more week remains for Station residents to take advantage of the opportunity to get in on the advance sale of season ticket vouchers for the 1954-55 concert series at China Lake.

Concert patrons who purchase season tickets at this time will be assured of getting the same seats they had last season, if they so desire, while others who are purchasing season tickets for the first time also will be among the first to get their choice of seat location for the coming concert series.

Some 75 salesmen are handling the sale of season ticket vouchers, which are priced at \$12, \$10, \$8 and \$5 for the six concert programs scheduled.

Officials of the NOTS Civic Concert Association announced that any ticket holders who leave the area before the end of the 1954-55 season will be refunded the price of any unused tickets they may have in their possession.

The coming concert series opens on Nov. 5 with a program by the famous Robert Shaw Chorale and orchestra. Other featured artists and the dates they will appear are:

Andres Segovia, Spanish guitar virtuoso, Dec. 13; William Olvis, young Hollywood tenor, Jan. 4, 1955; Solomon, British concert pianist, Jan. 31, 1955; the Budapest String Quartet in March 1955; and Iva Kitchell, famous dance satirist, April 19, 1955.

## Benefit Group Contributions Due

Contributions are currently being accepted from members of the Government Employees' Benefit Association following the recent death of Edwin Mapes, a member of the organization from the Public Works Department.

They may be mailed or taken to the association's secretary-treasurer, Gilbert O. Bryant, at 400-A Independence, or given to any authorized representative.

## Memorial Services Set for CAP Fliers Killed in Accident

Two Civil Air Patrol fliers who were killed recently will be honored at a memorial service to be held Sunday, at 2 p.m., at the Inyokern airport.

Ed Atkinson, the former commanding officer of Squadron No. 109, and Don Schmid, a member of the group, died when their plane crashed in the Santa Ynez mountains while on a search mission for a Navy jet lost on a training flight.

The March Air Force Base air-sea rescue service will have charge of the rites, and will furnish a band and color guard. Other CAP delegations are expected to be present for the ceremony from Bakersfield Group No. 17, of which the local squadron is a part, Los Angeles and the California Wing CAP headquarters in San Francisco.

## Candidates Sought For Council Posts

A representative-at-large and a delegate from Precinct Three are needed to fill two recent vacancies on the Community Council board of directors.

Pressure of other duties compelled Clarence Weinland to resign from the council board this week, creating the need for another representative-at-large. Candidates for this position may come from any area on the Station.

Persons living in Precinct Three, which includes the Prefab, Hawthorne and LeTourneau areas, are eligible to apply for the Precinct Three opening.

Nominating petitions for either vacancy may be obtained from Mrs. George Mayberry at the Community Council office, and must be returned no later than 5 p.m. on June 8 in order to be considered for the special election to be held that night at the regular meeting of the council's board of directors.



ARMED FORCES DAY opened with a bang at China Lake, featuring an air show at Armitage field in which rocket firing demonstrations and precision aerial acrobatics were the highlights.

## Armed Forces Day Events Draw Thousands of Visitors to Station

Nearly 6000 visitors swarmed through the Station's Main Gate during the two-day open house held Saturday and Sunday in observance of Armed Forces Day.

A large number of visitors, as well as Station employees and their families, were on hand for the action-packed aerial show that inaugurated the annual celebration. An unofficial count at the air field totaled slightly more than 4500 persons.

A brief memorial program, during which Chaplain James L. Carter linked the nation's heritage with the efforts under way today to insure future peace and security, was offered as a prelude to the air show.

Rockets varying in size from the 2.75-inch Mighty Mouse, air-to-air missile, to the huge 11.75-inch Tiny Tim, were cut loose at ground targets during the ordnance display. Other features of the aerial exhibition included speed runs at low altitudes over Armitage field and aerial acrobatics.

### Tow Target Pick-up

LT R. R. Vancil, chief project pilot in the operations department at NAF, demonstrated a tow target pick-up system he has developed during tests at Armitage field. Piloting a Banshee, he roared aloft from a catapult gear, circled the field at low altitude and made a pick-up of the brightly colored plywood tow target.

Precision aerial acrobatics were flown by the team of LCDR R. E. Rhodes, a former commanding officer of the famous Navy Blue Angels, and LT B. Montgomery, while CDR S. W. Vejtsa gave a solo demonstration of aerial maneuvers in a modified Fury.

On the line in front of the hang-

ars, spectators were allowed to climb aboard and inspect the two Navy jets which saw the most action during the show—the Fury and the Banshee—and also could observe at close range an array of Navy aircraft that included two models of the R4D Skytrain, the P4Y-2 Privateer, the F3D Douglas Skynight and the F9F Panther.

### Static Displays

Inside Hangar One a series of displays featured weather forecasting equipment; jet aircraft engines used in the Savage, Banshee and Skynight; a link trainer, and a Skyraider armed with an ordnance load that included air-to-air, anti-tank and high velocity aircraft rockets, practice bombs, a Tiny Tim and a 1000 pound bomb.

Marine infantry weapons also were exhibited by personnel from the Marine guard unit, and a model guided missile launching facility was displayed by the First Provisional Marine Guided Missile Battalion.

Tours of Michelson Laboratory and the Aeroballistics Laboratory attracted nearly 3200 persons on Saturday and Sunday afternoons. Work of the Station technical departments was on exhibit at the two research facilities, and personnel were available to explain the various displays.

Films, recordings and cut-away models of some of the laboratory equipment were utilized to give visitors a picture of the NOTS technical programs. Demonstrations ranged from casts being made in the metal shop and glass blowing in the chemistry division, to the simulated firing of a missile model through the aeroballistics laboratory.

## What's Doing

### Today

Lebekahs, 7:30 p.m., County bldg.  
Barbershop Harmony Festival, 10 p.m., Community Center.

### Saturday

Kids Tennis Clinic, 8:30 a.m., Station tennis courts.

### Sunday

Adult Bible Class, 9:30 a.m., Groves School.  
Keet Club, 10 a.m., Ridgecrest field.

### Monday

NOTS Toastmasters, 5:45 p.m., Hideaway.  
Desert Sports Officials Association, 6 p.m., Training bldg.  
Sea Scout Ship No. 504, 6 p.m., Scout hall.  
NOTS Badminton Club, 7 p.m., gym.  
Cub Pack-No. 103, 7 p.m., Community Center  
Dust Devils Auto Club, 7:30 p.m., American Legion hall.  
Christian Business Men's Club, 7:30 p.m., Community Center.

IAM Social Meeting, 7:30 p.m., County bldg.  
DAV Auxiliary, 7:30 p.m., Rowe St. School.  
Barber Shop Singers, 8 p.m., Legion hall.  
Repertory Group Chorus, 8 p.m., Music Hut, Kelly field.

Order of the Eastern Star, 8 p.m., Masonic temple.

Senior Dance, 8:30 p.m., Community Center

### Tuesday

Rotary Club, Noon, Village Cafe.  
Chi Rho Club, 7 p.m., Og Cuman hut.  
Rifle Club, 7:30 p.m., Hut 308, Old Contractors area.  
Lions Club, 7:30 p.m., Village cafe.  
Civil Air Patrol, 7:30 p.m., Tower, Inyokern Airport.  
Community Council Board Meeting, 8 p.m., 301 Parsons.  
Women of the Moose, 8 p.m., Moose hall.

### Wednesday

Troop 35, 6:30 p.m., Scout hall.  
Troop 3, 6:30 p.m., Scout hall.  
Masons, 7 p.m., Masonic temple.  
Blue Angels Auto Club, 8 p.m., Old Navy Locker bldg.  
IAM Auxiliary, 7:30 p.m., County bldg.  
Naval Reserve, 7:30 p.m., Rm. 2067, Michelson lab.  
Squareroats, 8 p.m., Community bldg.  
6517 Army Reserve, 8 p.m., Training bldg.  
George Washington Carver Club, 8 p.m., Community Center.

### Thursday

Red Cross, 12:30-4:30 p.m., Infirmary.  
Junior Stamp Club, 4:30 p.m., 105-B Entwistle.  
Troop 41, 6:30 p.m., Hut 301, Rowe Street School.  
China Lake Bowling Ass'n., 7 p.m., Community Center.  
Squadron 503, 7 p.m., Scout hall.  
Air Force Reserve, 7 p.m., Rm. 1601, Michelson lab.  
Pistol Club, 7:30 p.m., Hut 308, Old Contractors area.  
Job's Daughters, 7:30 p.m., Masonic temple.  
VFW Auxiliary, 7:30 p.m., Memorial hall.  
Elks of Valley, 8 p.m., Pappalardo's Supper Club.  
Athletic Club, 8 p.m., Training bldg.  
Sandblasters Motorcycle Club, 8 p.m., Sandblasters hut.  
Desert Dancers, 8 p.m., Burroughs Kindergarten.  
Eagles Auxiliary, 8 p.m., County bldg.  
FOE Auxiliary, 8 p.m., County bldg.

### CONTAGION REPORT

There were six cases of measles, six of chicken pox and seven cases of mumps reported at the Infirmary this week.

## Chaplain's Corner

By CHAPLAIN JAMES L. CARTER  
Several months ago, the president of Solar Aircraft in San Diego called his employes together, and proposed that a chapel be built for all faiths. He promised that if there was sufficient interest, Solar would supply the space, the architect, and the building materials. But the chapel would have to be built by the hands of the employes.

Since then, scores of men and women have labored to build their chapel, and have seen it recently completed. It is used before and after work, and at free times during the day, for prayer and meditation.

This is a demonstration that there is a resurgence of interest in religion in our day, and of a hunger for God. A highway filling station at Wynnewood, Okla., has a chapel where passengers may pause for prayers before the journey. The Biltmore Hotel in New York City has provided a chapel for transients.

In Berkeley, California, prayer instead of champagne was used to open a new business in the Pacific Painting and Decorating Company. Congress is acting to set aside a room so that our senators and representatives may be guided by Divine help in their legislation.

Last July in Toledo, an oil company's contract negotiations between company and union were opened with the prayer: "O God of liberty

and justice, consecrate the deliberations of this body to the achievement of the common good . . . Guide us by Thy infinite wisdom . . ."

## Church Call

Call the clergymen for baptisms, weddings, or special help.

### CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

(Chapel Annex)

SUNDAY SCHOOL—9:30 a.m., Chapel Annex.  
MORNING SERVICE, 11 a.m., Sunday.  
TESTIMONIAL MEETING—8 p.m. first and third Wednesdays.  
READING ROOM—7-9 p.m., Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

### EPISCOPAL

(North End of Chapel Annex)

Rev. F. E. Stillwell  
Phone 718-83511  
HOLY COMMUNION—8 a.m.  
SUNDAY SCHOOL—9:30 a.m.  
MORNING PRAYER—11 a.m., except for Holy Communion on the first Sunday of each month.

### PROTESTANT

(Station Chapel)

Chaplain James L. Carter  
Phone 72247, 71369 or 71506  
The Rev. John L. Reid Jr., Pastor  
NOTS Community Church  
Phone 725881 or 72740

MORNING WORSHIP—9:45 and 11 a.m., Sunday.

SUNDAY SCHOOL—9:30 a.m., Groves Elementary school.

JUNIOR CHURCH—11 a.m., Sunday, Rowe Street Protestant Worship Center.

## Americanism Essay Contest Winners



WINNERS in the recently conducted Americanism essay contest, sponsored by the local American Legion auxiliary, are shown with Mrs. George Mayberry, president of the Auxiliary (far right) and Mrs. John Richmond, essay contest chairman, next to Mrs. Mayberry. The winners are, from the left, Iris Patricia Reid, second place winner in the fourth, fifth and sixth grade group; Ann Hoyem, second place in the seventh, eighth and ninth grade group; Zoe Ann Taulbee, first place in the same group; and Ann Lipp, first place winner in the high school division. Not pictured is Carol Marie Anderson, who placed first in the fourth-sixth grade group.

## Additional Courses Slated in First Aid

Plans were announced this week to offer a special 15-hour Red Cross first aid instructors course at China Lake.

The course will be taught by a representative of the San Francisco area Red Cross office, and will be held for five nights, from 7 to 10 o'clock, at a time and place yet to be decided.

Prerequisite for attending the course is possession of either a valid advanced first aid certificate or an instructors certificate. Persons interested are asked to call Art Breslow at 72722, or write the American Red Cross, at 81 Halsey Ave.

An advanced first aid course also is being planned at China Lake. It will be conducted at a time most suitable to persons interested in enrolling as students. Prospective enrollees are asked to call Earl Suladie at 76022 after 4:30 p.m.

Both courses are being offered in compliance with a request from the disaster chairman of the Bakersfield ARC chapter that additional first aid instructors be trained in the local area.

## Job Opportunities

The Personnel Department is seeking persons to fill the following vacancy. Employes and their friends are encouraged to apply for the jobs.

### China Lake

Buffer and Polisher. \$2.04 per hour. Call ext. 71577.

Payroll and Invoice Clerk for the China Lake Elementary School district. Pay starts at \$282 per month. High School graduate required. Bookkeeping experience desired. Apply at the Burroughs High School office with Mrs. Margaret Shortt.

### Pasadena

Engineering Draftsman, General GS-6. Design drafting on electronic, electrical and mechanical instruments used in the study of underwater ordnance devices. Call Robert Bennett, ext. 109, Thompson Laboratory.

Mechanical Engineer, GS-11. Project and design engineer in the development of specialized ordnance process equipment. Responsible for supervision of detail, design and calculations. Call Robert Bennett, ext. 109, Thompson Laboratory.



ROBERT WEINLAND, right, is congratulated by Dr. D. S. Villars, outgoing president of the China Lake branch of the Research Society of America, upon being chosen as the outstanding senior class science student at Burroughs High School. In addition to receiving a certificate noting this fact, he also was given an exposure meter for use in his photo hobby work.

## China Lake Branch of RESA Takes in Four New Members

Two new members and two associate members were initiated into the China Lake branch of the Scientific Research Society of America at the group's annual spring dinner meeting held last week.

Other highlights of the program included presentation of an award to Robert Weinland, chosen the outstanding senior class science student at Burroughs High School, and an address by Prof. Linus Pauling of Caltech.

New members of the society are Foy McCullough Jr., an employee in the Rocket Department's ordnance division; and Lawrence W. Nichols of development division No. 2, Aviation Ordnance Department.

Associate membership was conferred upon Ernest D. Campbell, of the Rocket Department, and Elmer E. Green, of Test, and two associate members, John H. Gregory, head of AOD development division No. 4, and Howard R. Kelly, of the Research Department, were promoted from associate to full membership in RESA.

Professor Pauling spoke on "Molecular Abnormalities of Hemoglobin and Their Relation to Disease." He has played an important role in the development of this subject, which has shown for the first time how a disease could be attributed to a disease of the individual molecule itself.

The research arose out of discussions in 1945 when Professor Pauling was on a committee appointed by President Roosevelt to survey medical research.

The speaker discussed a blood disease, called "sickle cell anemia," so called because the red blood cells take on sickle shapes in the veins, although the same cells have the normal roundness in the arteries.

During his early research into the matter, Professor Pauling speculated

that the disease could be traced down to the individual molecules of hemoglobin, and one of his students found that samples of hemoglobin from diseased and normal persons have distinctly differing magnetic properties.

It was further discovered that by subjecting a solution of hemoglobin to electric current that the two types could be partially separated in a single person's blood. Most persons with sickle cells in their blood have half normal and half diseased hemoglobin, it was learned.

The disease appears to be inherited, according to Prof. Pauling, and the frequency of occurrence of persons with half and all diseased hemoglobin is in part accounted for by the Mendelian theory of inheritance, but considerable more research, with samplings of populations throughout the world, are needed.

The theoretical explanations thus far have not provided a treatment for the disease, but they enable educated guesses to be made which ultimately may yield a successful treatment, he said.

## Civil Engineers Plan Field Trip

Members of the local branch, American Society of Civil Engineers, and their families, will take a field trip through the Owens River Dam area and the Owens Gorge hydro project on Saturday, May 29. The group will assemble at Bulpitt Park, near Bishop, at 10 a.m.

A picnic lunch will be held for all members of the party with a special trip to the Mammoth Lake area planned for the women and children. A barbecue dinner at the park will conclude the day's activities.

## REPORTS FROM Technical Departments

### Information Here On Special Summer Courses at MIT

Information on 11 courses being offered by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology during its special summer program is now available in the office of the Station director of education.

Subjects to be offered range from Weather Forecasting and Mathematical Problems of Communication Theory to Infrared Spectroscopy and Transonic Aerodynamics.

Since the courses, the first of which begin on June 21, require a tuition payment, a request for approval of attendance must be submitted to the Secretary of the Navy approximately 45 days in advance of the opening date of the course. An additional paragraph of justification for attendance also must be prepared for the Bureau of Ordnance.

Persons interested in attending any of the courses should submit their requests for department approval so they may be transmitted to Code 0103 well in advance of the starting date of the course.

### Dr. Browne Joins Lockheed Corp.

Dr. S. H. Browne, until recently the head of the central evaluation group, is now with the missile unit of Lockheed Aviation Corp., at Van Nuys.

He had been a Station employe since August, 1950, when he reported to the Pasadena Annex as scientific staff assistant to the weapons evaluation group. Coming to China Lake in September 1951, he was named to head the central evaluation group.

He and Mrs. Browne and their young son, Richard, and daughter, Karen, are residing in Van Nuys.

### Marines Inquire About TV Repeater

Lt. Col. Frederick M. Steinhouser, USMC, last week came to China Lake to confer with George R. Sutherland regarding installation of a television repeater station at the Marine Corps Training Center at Twentynine Palms, Calif.

Mr. Sutherland is the electronics engineer who directed the installing of the local TV repeater station, which has greatly improved reception here on six channels.

Other military installation representatives who have lately contacted Mr. Sutherland include those from Camp Irwin, Strategic Air Command of Rapid City, South Dakota and the White Sands Proving Ground, New Mexico.

### Dr. McLean Returns From Taking Part At NATO Conference

Dr. W. B. McLean, Technical Director, returned last week from attending the fourth annual session of the Advisory Group for Research and Development of the NATO countries at The Hague, Holland, May 3 to 7.

More than 50 representatives from the Armed Forces of this country flew from Washington to attend. Dr. McLean represented Rear Admiral M. F. Schoeffel, Chief, Bureau of Ordnance, who was unable to be present.

Four panels were held on the general subjects of aerodynamic testing in wind tunnels, and flight testing of aircraft. Cooperation and exchange of information among the NATO countries was encouraged, and if it was demonstrated that such a program was successful in the areas discussed at the meetings, the discussions will be extended to other areas, according to Dr. McLean.

The actual meeting place was at Kurhaus, Scheveningen, a beach resort near The Hague. Dr. McLean commented on the excellent weather during the conference, and that all of the famous Holland tulips were in full bloom.

Prince Bernhard of Holland spoke at the opening of the general assembly.

Dr. McLean told of the facility with which information flowed from member to member in spite of differences in language, due to the system of simultaneous translations.

After returning to Washington, Dr. McLean attended a number of conferences at the Bureau of Ordnance. He said that in general all levels of the Bureau are anxious to provide every means possible for NOTS to carry out its assigned mission of weapons production.

Among the many officers and scientists with whom he conferred in Washington was Rear Admiral Paul D. Stroop, one-time Station Commander and now Senior Naval member of the Weapons Systems Evaluation Board.

### 3 Officers Promoted To Lieutenant Rank

Three Navy officers at China Lake this week received notice of their promotion from lieutenant (junior grade) to lieutenant.

Promoted were LT Mary Sheridan, a nurse at the Infirmary; LT Rufo Robinson, operations officer of Guided Missile Unit 61, and LT Thomas Amle, project officer in the Aviation Ordnance Department.

## News from Pasadena

### To Play for Spring Dance



AL HARDING'S ORCHESTRA will play for the combination party honoring Captain R. F. Sellars, who will be relieved as Officer-in-Charge to accept the position of Station Executive Officer, and the NOTS annual Spring dance at the Los Angeles Police Academy. Tickets will be \$3 per person.

## Need for Strong Military Team Stressed in Talk by RADM Curts

"Machines in the laboratory in the initial planning stage are no replacement for military strength when the shooting starts. The immediate need of this nation now and in the foreseeable future is for strong, well-balanced Armed Forces in being—not in the thought stages."

Speaking to the people as stockholders, Rear Admiral Maurice E. Curts, USN, Commander of the Cruiser-Destroyer Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet, in his address at the Armed Forces Day celebration at Morris Dam last Saturday, likened the government to a corporation in which they had invested.

Captain Robert F. Sellars, Officer-in-Charge, welcomed the throngs of San Gabriel Valley families, many of the Annex employes and their children, who visited Morris Dam for Armed Forces Day open house. W. H. Saylor, Associate Technical Director for Pasadena, described the technical program of the Annex.

### BuOrd Hydroballistics Committee Meets

The Bureau of Ordnance Hydroballistics Advisory committee and the editorial committee on the Hydroballistics Design Handbook met at the Annex this week.

Those attending the Advisory committee included: Prof. Leslie J. Hooper, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, chairman; CDR Horace E. Bent, Office of the Secretary of Defense; John D. Nicolaidis, Bureau of Ordnance; Harold A. Eggers, David Taylor Model Basin; Dr. Milton S. Plesset, Caltech; Dr. James M. Robertson, Ordnance Research Laboratory; Dr. Carleton H. Schlesman, Naval Ordnance Laboratory; Anthony Suarez, Stevens Institute of Technology, and G. V. Schliestett, NOTS.

Boat rides, demonstrations of deep-sea diving, tours of the propulsion pits, firing of torpedoes from the Variable Angle Launcher demonstrated the progress being made by the Station in developing underwater ordnance.

Admiral Curts, in justifying the necessity of maintaining strong military groups, said that they exist only as an instrument of national policy to prevent others from imposing their will on us. "The main reason for having your Armed Forces is to act as a deterrent to war—to discourage the aggressor." He emphasized that policy is made by administrators and Congress, that the military gives only consultant service.

Specifying the dividends received by the stockholders, Admiral Curts spoke of the many freedoms gained and preserved. He explained the results of the merger, in 1947, of the Army, Air Force, and Navy. Korea, he said, proved that the three now unified services are pulling together.

Reporting on the budget currently before Congress for 1955, he quoted these figures: for the Army, \$7,615,523,000 (17 full divisions plus 18 combat regimental teams); for the Navy, \$9,705,818,500 (an active fleet of 1080 ships, 9941 planes, with 16 carrier air groups, and an average of 682,000 officers and men); Marine Corps: three combat divisions and three combat air wings with an average of 215,000 personnel; Air Force: \$10,819,310,000 (a build-up to 120 wings by the end of fiscal 1955 with an average of 970,000 officers and men).

"Only when world conditions improve can we afford less. We must realize that the cost of maintaining peace is not cheap. If we maintain and expand our national strength, the menace of international Communism will pass away."

## Annex Reorganization Plans Are Announced

J. H. Jennison has been named head of the newly created division of the Underwater Ordnance Department.

Robert Leard has been named head of a Design and Production unit of 30 persons that will remain in Pasadena to act as liaison with contractors.

Ultimately 325 of the 400 billets in the Design and Production Department, headed by K. H. Booty in Pasadena, will be moved to China Lake. The Central Engineering Division as a group also will be moved to China Lake.

There will be a reduction in personnel in Supply and Fiscal, Command Administration, public works division and the personnel division.

These announcements were made in a joint statement by Captain R. F. Sellars, Officer-in-Charge, and W. H. Saylor, Associate Technical Director for Pasadena and acting head of the Underwater Ordnance Department.

"Employees who do not wish to follow their positions to China Lake, or who are unable to do so because of family or personal reasons, may either resign or be separated if they cannot be reassigned.

"They do not have a placement right as in reduction-in-force, however, career employes separated for failure to accompany their jobs may apply to the Civil Service Commission for entry on registers of eligibles, and the Commission will give them priority certification to fill appropriate positions.

"Additionally, career employes may be re-employed on a permanent basis provided they return to federal service within one year from date of resignation or separation," Mr. Saylor said.

Billets numbering approximately 65 in the newly created division in the Underwater Ordnance Department will be open only to those currently assigned to the Design and Production Department and the Central Engineering Division, Mr. Saylor said.

"Advance notice will be issued in the near future to employes whose positions are to be shifted, and it is contemplated that approximately 140 positions will be moved to China Lake by Sept. 1.

"This is necessary in order that the vacated space can be altered and the shift of Thompson Lab personnel to Foothill can be accomplished by Dec. 1. The completion of the move to China Lake will depend upon availability of facilities and housing at China Lake," management said.

"First priority will be given to providing an opportunity for individuals to accompany their positions to China Lake. Emphasis will be placed on retaining the individual in his present position, or in a position of equal pay and rank at China Lake."

Functions of the new division in the Underwater Ordnance Department will include: Shop services,

product engineering, production engineering, experiment manufacture, technical liaison and inspection, materials engineering and production documents.

## Awards Ceremony Scheduled June 1

At a ceremony slated for 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, June 1, in the auditorium at Thompson Lab, a Meritorious Civilian Award will be presented to Patricia M. Chance of the Underwater Ordnance Department for her initiative in expanding her reporting for the Rocketeer into a full-blown public information program which has brought the Annex to the favorable attention of the community, and for her assistance to the Assistant Officer in Charge in planning and arranging for special programs.

In his justification for the action, CDR R. A. Thompson wrote, "It is not an understatement to say that Mrs. Chance is an amazing person. I truly believe that under similar conditions, she can do the work of three normal people in her field of endeavor. Through her efforts, the stature of the Pasadena Annex in the community has improved markedly and is continuing to do so." Efficiency awards will go to H. Carl How and Arthur E. Block for their development of a method of continuous tone prints by the Ozalid process.

At the same ceremony, James H. Hall of the inspection division of the Design and Production Department will receive a Superior Accomplishment Award for his efforts in accomplishing extremely difficult major inspection changes on the 2.75-inch rocket.

Twenty-year service awards will be presented to Willard H. Higbee, James Taylor, David W. Anderson, Alfred O. Fey, and William L. Griffith.

Beneficial Suggestion Awards will go to Carney Brewer (\$15), George Pruitt (\$20), Louis V. Barnes (\$45), Albert Torsak (\$30), James Frcka (\$40), R. D. Melcher (\$30), Edward Carr (\$10), Dorothy Smith (\$15), Virginia Cortese (\$10), Carbon Lytle (\$10), D. E. Zimmerman (\$10), C. H. Tice (\$15), P. Welsh (\$20), J. Lieble (\$10), M. A. Drabic (\$30), Wilma Roney (\$20), C. F. Ranestedt (\$10), George Reed (\$10), J. M. Gilpin (\$20) and Emily Poggia (\$30).

A commendation letter will be read for Nancy Kempster, and the personnel division will make certificate of training awards.

# Little League Opening Set Wednesday



## 'Crazylegs' Hirsch, El Toro Band, To Be Featured on Gala Program

Elroy "Crazylegs" Hirsch, former all-American football player and outstanding professional grinder for the Los Angeles Rams, will be on hand next Wednesday night to help usher in the third season of Little League baseball at China Lake.

Festivities at Little League diamond No. 1 are scheduled to get under way at 8 p.m., and will feature the Marine Corps band from El Toro; more than 300 Little League and Pony League players, managers and coaches, as well as top Station officials who will participate in this inaugural event.

Players and officials of each of the eight Little League, four Pony League and four Minor League teams will parade onto the diamond with the El Toro band and a Marine Corps color guard, where they will be introduced by Hirsch.

John Dragovich, commissioner of the local Little League association, will give a short talk on the kids' baseball program and will then introduce members of the association's board of directors.

Highlight of the evening will be a six-inning exhibition contest between the Hirsch-coached Rams and the Rockets, coached by Captain D. B. Young, Station Commander.

A drawing will be held to determine which two teams from the American and National divisions of the Little League and which from the Pony League will take part in the contest. For this special game, Little League and Pony League rules, which ban the presence of adult coaches and managers on the playing field, will be waived in order to permit Hirsch and Captain Young to actively coach their teams.

The exhibition contest will get under way with Hirsch on the mound throwing the first pitch to Captain Young, in the batter's box, while Dr. W. B. McLean, Station Technical Director, will call the play from behind the plate as umpire.

A special souvenir program is being prepared for the opening night event, containing messages on the

Little League program from the Station Commander, Technical Director and the Little League Commissioner.

Regular Little League play will not start until Tuesday, June 1, Teams scheduled to compete are the Tigers, Athletics, Yankees and Dodgers, in the American division, and the Pirates, Giants, Braves and Red Sox in the National division of the Little League; the Reds, Indians, Cubs and Cardinals in the Pony League, and the Minor League Reds, Indians, Cubs and Cardinals.

The first half schedule of Little League, Pony League and Minor League competition will be printed on the souvenir program to be given out Wednesday night.

## Summer Softball League Games To Begin June 1

Summer Station League softball play will get under way Tuesday, June 1, at the Beer Hut diamond.

Eight teams have entered the competition. They are: NAF, China Lake, Public Works, Guided Missile, Research Department, Apprentices, Marine Barracks and Officers.

Two games will be played each evening that contests are scheduled. The first game will start at 6:30 p.m., and must end not later than 8 p.m., and the second game will start at 8:30 p.m., and be completed not later than 10:30 p.m. All games will be played at the Beer Hut diamond.

A meeting of all team managers will be held Tuesday, at 6:30 p.m. at the recreation office to set up the league schedule.

Teams participating in the league play will be required to furnish their own uniforms and accessories. Balls, bats, and catchers equipment will be provided by the recreation department.

The maximum number of players which any one team may carry on its roster at any time is 20. A player's name must appear on the official roster of his team before he is eligible for league play. The player's name and signature must be forwarded to the athletic director or his representative before the first league game in which the player participates.

If a player wishes to transfer during a round, he may do so by securing written permission of the manager of the team from which he wishes to transfer.

Officially postponed games will be played at the end of the half in which the postponed games occurred. Postponed games which have no bearing on the league standings will not be played.

## Navy Fighters Edge Marines, 3-2, In Amateur Boxing Show at Gym

Navy leather slingers came out on top in the six-bout amateur boxing show held Wednesday night at the Station gym.

When the dust of battle had cleared, Navy boxers held a three to two margin in the win column over their Marine Corps opponents, and one civilian fighter took the nod over a Marine.

Lightweight Bernie Partridge, an employe in the Explosives Department, pounded out a win over Richard Dulock in the main event of the evening. Partridge, a veteran of several years boxing competition at China Lake, kept ahead of his Marine opponent by landing hard left hooks and occasionally crossing with a right to win a closely contested bout.

Referee Joe Wojecki stopped the semi-main event between Art Thompson, a Navy fighter, and Marine Bill Hale in the second round when Hale ran out of gas and could no longer defend himself. This was a middleweight match.

The first two fights of the evening were won by Marine Corps entries. Glenn Bryant was given a bare two point margin by the judges over another Marine, Les Chavers, in a middleweight contest, and Bill Hughes outslugged Don Juran in convincing fashion to win the second bout on the program.

Bout No. 3, a lightweight fracas, was won by George McKinney, a Navy boxer, over Phil Cunningham, of the Marines, and another Navy leather slinger, Jay Jackson, outpointed his lankier Marine opponent, Gary Peak, to win the fourth bout on the card.

A no-decision exhibition contest between two elementary school youngsters, Wally Friscovitch and Herb Skipp, opened the evening's activities.

## Golf Club To Elect Officers Wednesday

A slate of nominees has been announced for the Satellite Lake golf Club election to be held Wednesday at 8 p.m. at the sand course clubhouse.

Up for election are Milt Wolfson, Colin Taylor and Henry Wedaa, for vice-president; Ed Park and Don Cooper, for treasurer; Floyd Rockwell, Sgt. Alvin Hinton and Ed Attkisson, for secretary; and Matt Weightman, Ruven Smith and Al Satterthwaite, for posts on the board of directors.



A ROUNDHOUSE right thrown by Jay Jackson caught Gary Peak off balance and nearly sent him through the ropes in Wednesday night's fistic fete at the Station gym. Jackson won the decision over his Marine opponent in a preliminary fray.

## Rockets To Play Trona Nine Tonight

Another practice tilt between the Rocket All-Stars and the Trona club is slated tonight at 8:15 at Schoeffel field.

Three more games have been added to the Rockets schedule—two with teams from the Los Angeles area, and one with Lone Pine.

On May 29, the Pasadena Yankees, a group of all-star players sponsored by the New York Yankees, will meet the Rockets at Schoeffel field. On June 5, the Long Beach All-Stars will play the local team.

These two games are the only ones that have been scheduled with Los Angeles teams at the present time. No more games will be slated until it is learned what kind of competition the Rockets will be meeting, according to Tony De Lellis, athletic director.

The Rockets will meet the horse-hiders from Lone Pine in a tilt slated for Wednesday, June 2.

## BENEFIT BARBECUE SET

A benefit barbecue will be held tomorrow at 8 p.m., at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Weiner, 324 Balsam, Ridgecrest, to raise funds for the Hebrew Temple Sunday School. Tickets are priced at 75 cents per person and the event is open to the public.

## New Chairman Of Emergency Relief Fund Named

Mrs. William Wright of Ridgecrest was announced this week as the successor for Mrs. John Richmond as chairman of the desert area emergency relief fund, a local Community Chest activity.

Mrs. Richmond, who plans to leave China Lake around June 1, has donated many hundreds of hours to his work during the five years the emergency relief fund has been in existence.

Mrs. Wright will be assisted in carrying out emergency relief work by six case workers, who may be contacted at their home telephones or by calling the Station chaplain's office, 72247.

Names and phone numbers of the case workers are: At China Lake—Mrs. Curtis Bogardus, 75412; Mrs. Carlton Horine, 77743; Mrs. H. R. Richardson, 72271, and Mrs. F. C. Wentink, 73582.

In Ridgecrest—Mrs. Wright, 82156, and Mrs. Elliott Fox, 82072, and in Inyokern, Mrs. Sam Kolovis, 72316.

## Junior High School To Present Operetta

"The Park Bowl Contest," a three-act operetta will be presented at Richmond auditorium, Tuesday at 8 p.m., by the Burroughs Junior High School music department. A cinderella-type story, it portrays the life of a young girl who makes good despite interfering relatives.

A group of folk dancers will put on a short exhibition and the swing band will play for group singing. The Richmond School fifth grade will present a short skit about the Erie Canal.

Tickets to the program are 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for school children and all proceeds will be used for band instruments.

## BIRTHS

### Boys

**Crowe**—Kenneth David, 9 lbs, 1 oz., May 16, at the Ridgecrest Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Amos M. Crowe, 412 Fairview, Ridgecrest.

**Gleeson**—Daniel Edward, 8 lbs., May 16, at the Ridgecrest Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas R. Gleeson, 80-A Forrestal.

**Griffith**—James William, 6 lbs., 5 ozs., May 13, at China Lake to Mr. and Mrs. William J. Griffith, 1203-A Smith.

**Hape**—Paul Victor, 7 lbs., 7 ozs., May 17, at the Ridgecrest Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Oscar R. Hape, 65-A Farragut.

**Shonyo**—Dwight Arthur, 8 lbs., 12 ozs., May 12, at China Lake, to Mr. and Mrs. Harold N. Shonyo, 60-B Decatur.

### Girls

**Fraker**—Katrina Wyne, 6 lbs., 14½ ozs., May 14, at the Infirmary to LT and Mrs. Edward Fraker, 600-A Kearsarge.

## Spring Drama Festival Presented



EDUARDO ROMERO, playing a beggar, makes no headway seeking alms from the haughty American tourist, played by Stephen Price, in "Altruism," one of three one-act plays presented last week at the Richmond School auditorium. Others in the drama, which takes place at a sidewalk cafe in Paris, are, from left, Lang Sykes, Toby Witrack, Dave Citron, Art Pfeifer, Nancy Lloyd and Ray Williams.

## School Election . . .

(Continued from Page One) but there are five candidates seeking two new short-term positions on the local school board.

They are George Adam, an electrician in the Rocket Department; Robert H. Olds, a research scientist in the Research Department; Richard D. Potter, head of the Research Department's metallurgy branch; Lewis Radcliff, a planner and estimator in the Rocket Department, and Dr. N. E. Ward, head of the Aviation Ordnance Department.

## Annex Holds Lead In Safety Contest

PASADENA — In announcing the frequency of accidental injuries for the last four months, J. J. Campbell, safety director, urged Annex employes to cooperate in the safety contest being waged with China Lake this year.

For the last four months the Annex frequency rate (based on the number of lost time cases per million manhours worked) was 1.25 and that for China Lake was 1.66, Mr. Campbell said.

"Winning of the contest will mean to employes: More safety consciousness—freedom from accidents; minimum of pain; and saving in money." Mr. Campbell said.

"Winning the contest for management will mean: More production, reduction in expenses, conservation of manpower, improvement in industrial and public relations and a savings to taxpayers."

## CANCER ENVELOPES SOUGHT

A reminder to turn in any neighbor-to-neighbor Cancer Crusade envelopes that may still be out on the Station was issued this week by LCDR T. H. Davis. Arrangements to have the envelopes picked up may be made by calling LCDR Davis at 74153.

## Memorial Day Program Planned

A special Memorial Day program is being planned for Sunday, May 30, at China Lake by the Allied Veterans' Council.

It will be held at 9 a.m. on the lawn in front of the Administration building. Participating organizations will assemble at the parking lot of the new community building at 8:30 a.m.

The following Monday, May 31, will be a Civil Service holiday. All Navy Exchange facilities and the Commissary Store will be closed, as well as the local branch of the Bank of America.

## Teachers' Group Installs Officers

Robert J. Gilkinson, business education instructor at Burroughs High School, was installed recently as president of the China Lake Educational Association, in a meeting held at Richmond auditorium.

Other officers of the local club, which is a chapter of the California Teachers Association, are: Mrs. Wanda Wisler, vice-president; Mrs. Lena Waddock, secretary; and Alfred M. Schostag, treasurer.

Mrs. Zoe Norman and Miss Helen V. Conway were elected as representatives to the Kern division of the CTA.

## Highway Hearing . . .

(Continued from Page One) president of the association, Ardis Walker, vice-president, and other county officials.

Aerial mapping work and surveying in the Isabella Dam area is now under way to aid in road design and alignment. Captain Young stated that the Navy has given approval for an aerial survey over the range area to establish a route for the highway.

## Thrift Shop Needs Summer Clothing

A special call for summer clothing to replenish the depleted shelves of the Thrift Shop has been issued by members of the Women's Auxiliary in charge of the project.

Persons with items they may wish to donate can do so by stopping at the Thrift Shop, situated in a hut on the old Rowe Street School grounds, or may make arrangements to have their donations picked up by calling either Mrs. Ruth Yesensky at 77591, or Mrs. June Camp at 725374.

Tailor Tots and articles of children's furniture also are needed, it was reported.

During recent weeks, the Thrift Shop has donated seven boxes of clothing and household items to be used in welfare programs of the American Legion Auxiliary, by St. Anne's Parochial School, and to assist families in Ridgecrest whose homes and belongings have been destroyed by fire.

A vote of thanks was extended by Thrift Shop officials to several members of the Auxiliary who have been particularly generous in the amount of time and help they have given to this project for the past year. They are Mrs. Mildred Richardson, Mrs. Emily Richmond, Mrs. Peggy Connolly, Mrs. Winifred Weinland and Mrs. Ruth Massaro.

## Court of Awards Set for Troop 39

Fifteen members of Girl Scout Troop 39 will receive badges at a Court of Awards program scheduled for Tuesday at Richmond School, starting at 5 p.m. Mrs. Albert Gould, a regional scout official, will make the presentations.

Highlight of the program will be a ceremony in which each girl will carry a log, on which is written the Girl Scout laws, to the campfire. Karin Anderson and Merrily Gantz will also receive the rank of First Class Scout.

Parents are invited to attend the program which will be conducted by Mrs. Karsten Skaar, Mrs. Cornelius Overstreet and Mrs. Hugh Hunter, troop leaders.

## Burroughs Carnival Shows \$729 Profit

A total profit of \$729.58 was realized from the recent spring carnival held at Burroughs High School, it was reported this week.

Forty per cent of the proceeds will be turned over to the Student Council and will be used to finance various school-wide activities, while the remaining 60 per cent will be retained by individual classes and clubs that sponsored the carnival booths.

The sophomore class with a net profit of \$134.65 led all other classes in the amount of money earned at the carnival.