

# 1 Death, 6 Injuries In Auto Accidents Over Past Weekend

Adrian H. Rose, an apprentice machinist in the manufacturing division, Engineering Department, escaped serious injury in an accident which demolished his car last Saturday evening on the Inyokern road.

The incident occurred about 1 1/2 miles east of Inyokern when his car which was apparently traveling at an excessive rate of speed, went out of control, causing it to roll over, according to Highway Patrol officers. Rose was taken to the Ridgecrest Hospital and treated for lacerations of the face and legs.

In another local accident during the past week, George Edward Johnson, from Bloomington, Calif., was killed in a head-on collision Friday, about 14 miles south of Ridgecrest on Highway 395.

He apparently failed to negotiate a curve and his vehicle skidded into a car driven by John Mellon Sr. from San Diego. In the car with Mellon was his wife, Vada, and their three children, Tommy, John Jr., and Patricia. Two of the children, Tommy and Patricia, and Mrs. Mellon are out of danger in the Ridgecrest Hospital, however, Mr. Mellon and the other child, John Jr., are in critical condition.



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

TODAY JULY 23  
 "MAGNIFICENT OBSESSION" (108 Min.)

Jaffe Wyman, Rock Hudson  
 Shorts: "Devil May Hare" (7 Min.)  
 News (10 Min.)

SATURDAY JULY 24

"CAPTAIN BLOOD" (98 Min.)  
 Errol Flynn, Olivia DeHavilland  
 Shorts: "Sleepytime Square" (7 Min.)

MATINEE

"SATAN'S CRADLE" (60 Min.)  
 Duncan Renaldo, Leo Carrillo  
 Shorts: "Tito's Guitar" (7 Min.)  
 "Gunfighters of the Northwest" (16 Min.)

SUN.-MON. JULY 25-26

"JULIUS CAESAR" (122 Min.)  
 Marlon Brando, James Mason

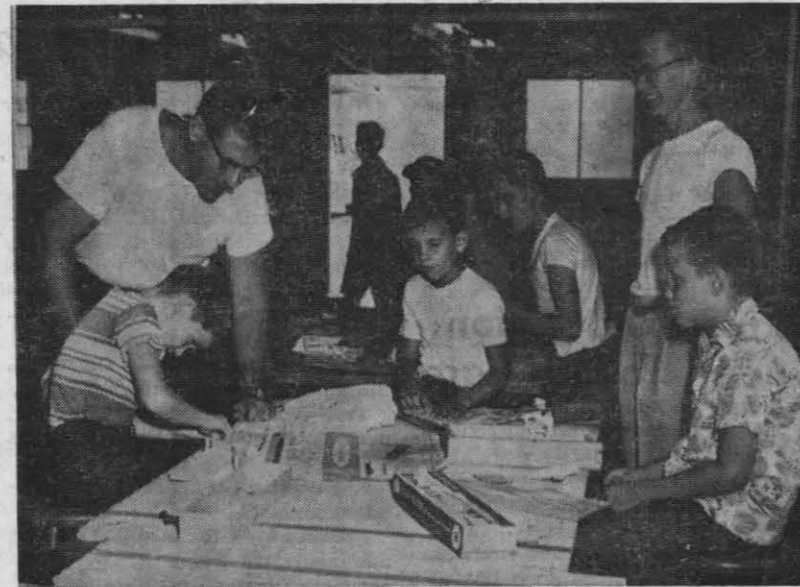
TUES.-WED. JULY 27-28

"PUSHOVER" (88 Min.)  
 Fred MacMurray, Phil Carey  
 Shorts: "Atom Goes to Sea" (10 Min.)  
 News (10 Min.)

THURS.-FRI. JULY 29-30

"APACHE" (87 Min.)  
 Burt Lancaster, Jean Peters  
 Shorts: "Kangaroo Courting" (7 Min.)  
 "Diving Cavalcade" (10 Min.)  
 News (10 Min.)

## Popular Summer Activity



SIX-HOUR LONG CLASSES with a total enrollment of 125 boys are being held at Burroughs as a part of the summer recreation and crafts program. Sam Bogal, the class instructor, at left, is shown checking over the work of Billie McPherson, who is building a model of the Cruiser Chicago, while other members of one of the classes look on.

## Cast Announced For Stage Play

Mrs. Savage, a wealthy eccentric old woman, is the leading character in the forthcoming China Lake Players production "Curious Savage" to be presented at the Station theater Aug. 26-27.

Mrs. Savage, played by Grace Allen, attempts to give her money away and is committed to an institution by her two step-children, Lillybelle and the Senator, played by Lucia Marvin and Langthorne Sykes. The children decide that they have made a mistake when Mrs. Savage finds that she likes life in the institution more than life in the outside world.

The play is directed by Marvin Backman, assisted by Lucia Marvin and Phil Marsh as the technical director. Others in the cast are Deaine Davis, Annabelle Culver, Ruth Rekosh, Edward Romero, Bob LeFeuvre, Bill Cohen and James Bray.

## Veterinary Service Available Tuesdays

Dr. Arnold M. Snyder, a veterinarian from the Burbank Valley Animal Hospital, is on the Station every Tuesday from 9 a.m. until 5:30 p.m.

A complete clinic, including medical treatment, vaccinations, and surgery, is available at his office which is located in the building next to the boarding kennels in the old contractors area. He has been carrying on this service for Station residents for the past four years.

## TRAFFIC COURT REPORT

Seven drivers appeared at the Station traffic court this week, with six receiving warnings and one having his Station driving privileges revoked for a month. Offenses cited were illegal parking and speeding.

## Flint Promoted To Commander

LCDR L. E. Flint Jr., air-to-ground weapons officer, recently received word of his promotion to the rank of commander, retroactive to Jan. 1, 1954.

CDR Flint, who has been at NOTS since March, entered the Navy in 1941 under the aviation cadet program and received flight training at Jacksonville, Fla. He then served three years in the Pacific during World War II and participated in air strikes against the Gilbert and Marshall islands and Truk.

Before coming to the Station, CDR Flint was commanding officer of Fighter Squadron 11, which served in Korea during the latter part of 1952 and the spring of 1953.

CDR and Mrs. Flint reside at 511-A Lexington.

## Benefit Barbecue Slated Tomorrow

A benefit barbecue has been scheduled tomorrow at Sandquist Spa by Boy Scout Troop No. 68, sponsored by the Latter Day Saints Church in Ridgecrest.

Tickets to the event, which will start at 5:30 p.m., are priced at \$1 per person, and are available today in front of the Commissary Store, or from any troop member.

The menu will feature barbecued beef, with salad, bread and butter. Proceeds from the affair will be used to finance activities of the troop for the coming year.

## COMMISSARY TO CLOSE

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

## Personnel Dept. Employees Receive Suggestion Awards

Two beneficial suggestion awards and a letter of commendation were presented last week to employees of the Personnel Department by R. W. Anderson, department head.

Arthur G. Maxwell, head of the employe relations division, was given an award of \$15 for his suggestion dealing with the housing seniority list. He proposed that considerable time and effort could be saved if persons desiring housing were placed on the list according to an "entrance on duty" date, rather than having to recompute the list every few months on a point basis. The new system calls for adjustments in the seniority date, where breaks in service have been allowed. The award made to Mr. Maxwell, who has charge of the beneficial suggestions program, was based on intangible benefits.

Ester H. Crotty, a clerk-stenographer in the employe relations division, received an award of \$10 for her suggestion for the installation of shelves over the wash basins in department rest rooms. Intangible benefits was the basis for the award.

Carter Miller, a position classifier, was given a letter of commendation for completing the executive training program.

## Marion Draper On Honor Roll At Redlands Univ.



Marion Draper

Marion Draper, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marion G. Draper, 103-B Richmond, has been placed on the spring semester honor roll at the University of Redlands, according to an announcement received from George H. Armacost, president.

Miss Draper, who was student body president, shared the valedictorian-salutatorian honors last year at Burroughs High School with Louise Kirby. She has a straight "A" average at the university.

## SCHOOL BUDGET HEARING

A public hearing on the 1954-55 budget of the China Lake Elementary School District has been scheduled Tuesday, Aug. 3, at 7:30 p.m. in the Burroughs High School library.

THE WEATHER  
 Mostly clear skies over the weekend with winds light and variable 15 to 20 knots. Maximum temperature 107. Minimum temperature 72.

# Rocketeer

TEMPERATURES (Housing Area)		
	Max.	Min.
July 15	106	72
July 16	107	71
July 17	105	75
July 18	104	71
July 19	103	73
July 20	104	70
July 21	103	65

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## Construction Work At Wherry Project Enters Final Phase

Work on the 300-unit Wherry housing project, which was started last December, is now entering its final phase with only finish carpentry and painting work yet left to be done on the final increment of new homes.

All construction work is expected to be completed by the middle of next month and odds and ends of clean-up work will be finished by the end of August, officials in charge of the project report.

Two-bedroom homes have proven to be more popular with Wherry rental tenants, and a shortage is foreseen shortly in this type of homes. The last increment of homes still to be completed is composed predominantly of three bedroom units.

All street work at the housing subdivision has been completed, but there is still a little work left to do on sidewalks before this portion of the project will be complete. Telephone service will be made available to Wherry occupants in the near future.

As of early this week, 185 Wherry homes were occupied, with an additional 25 houses complete and awaiting occupancy. The latest report from the Station housing office list-

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## School Relocation Opposed by 4-1 Margin in Poll

Returns were very slow coming in up to press time this week in the opinion poll currently being conducted regarding the proposed relocation of Burroughs High School, but those received indicated a defeat of the measure by more than a 4-1 margin.

All of the ballots returned to the office of Thomas Byrd, superintendent of the Indian Wells Valley School District, favored the move, while those sent in to the office of Dr. Earl Murray, superintendent of schools at China Lake, opposed relocation of Burroughs High School by a vote of 10-1.

Mimeographed copies of the ballot are still available at the two local school district offices, and no deadline has been set for their return. Only registered voters are asked to participate in the poll in order that a check on the validity of the responses may be made.

## Station Phone No. To Be Changed From 82211 to 50111

The Station telephone number will be changed from 82211 to 50111 effective at 11 a.m. on Thursday, Aug. 1, according to a recent announcement from R. A. Dinsmore, district manager of the California Interstate Telephone Company.

The change is being made as a result of recent expansion of telephone service in Ridgecrest and vicinity by the Interstate Company. Among the latest improvements has been the installation of dial selectors on trunk lines between Ridgecrest and the Station.

In order to make this equipment operative, it will be necessary to change the Station phone number.

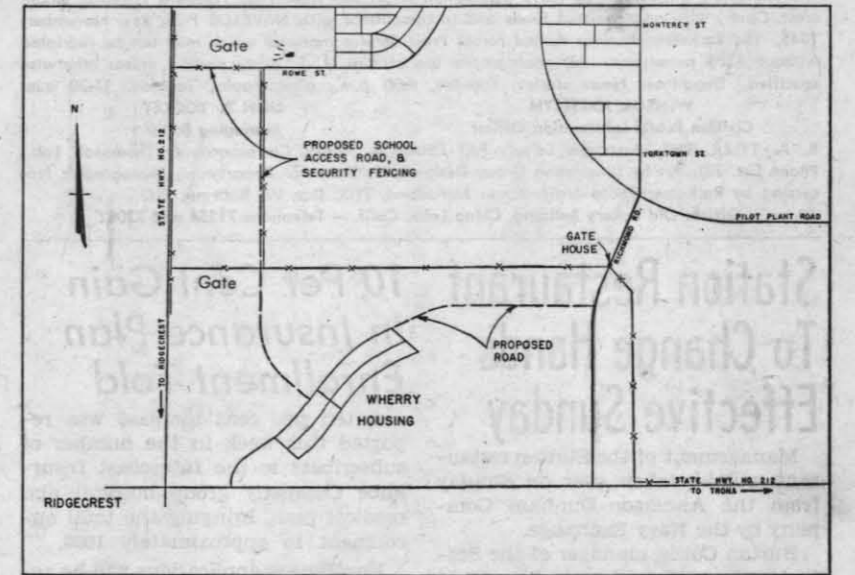
## Instructions Given By Navy Department On Reenlistment Bill

A naval dispatch was received this week regarding reenlistment legislation, which is of interest to all enlisted personnel. The dispatch stated that a bill authorizing an increase in the bonus paid for reenlistment has been approved by both houses of Congress and is now awaiting presidential approval. The bill provides:

A payment of 30 days basic pay multiplied by the number of years in the new contract for first reenlistments, excepting for Pay Grade E-1 (Seaman Recruit) personnel who will receive 20 days pay. No bonus is allowed on a second reenlistment for personnel in pay grades E-1 or E-2; for a third enlistment in grade E-3, or for service in excess of 20 years.

Personnel in pay grades E-4 (Petty Officer third class) and above will receive either 20 days, 10 days or 5 days basic pay multiplied by the number of years in the new contract, for second, third, fourth and subsequent enlistments, respectively. The bill however, places a limitation of \$2000 total on the bonus paid for reenlistments.

A previous dispatch stated that commanding officers are authorized to retain personnel due for early release, provided the request is entered in writing in the service record of the individual. They are not, however, permitted to retain the individual beyond their normal enlistment expiration date. The retention of personnel due for discharge is only to allow them to take advantage of the new legislation.



LOCATIONS of three new gates being established primarily to accommodate Vieweg school students are shown in the above sketch.

## New Gates To Accommodate Wherry Project Residents Planned

Three new gates leading onto the Station will be opened in the near future to accommodate Wherry housing occupants now cut off from the main housing area by a barbed wire fence.

One gate and an adjacent sentry shelter will be constructed on the southward extension of Richmond Road, and the other gates will be near the Vieweg Elementary School.

Work is well along on the contract awarded recently to Haddock Engineers for the southward extension of Richmond Road and construction of a gate and small sentry shelter. When completed, this gate will be manned Monday through Friday from 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., but only vehicles and passengers having regular Station passes will be admitted there. "Wiz" passes for Station visitors will continue to be issued only at the Main Gate.

The gate by the Vieweg school is intended for use solely by youngsters attending the school, and will be open only during school hours, beginning with the resumption of class work on Sept. 7.

Within the next month it is planned to employ bulldozers and scrapers to level dirt roads from the Wherry project connecting with Richmond Road and the Vieweg school gate. The road to the Vieweg school will not be surfaced, but will be primarily a path for youngsters to use when walking or riding bicycles to the school, or for driving children to or from school during foul weather.

It is hoped that funds will be available soon for surfacing of the connecting road between the Wherry subdivision and the Richmond Road extension.

## Office Facilities Of Identification Unit Consolidated

Personnel and equipment from the identification branch at the Main Gate and in the Administration building have been moved to the second floor of the housing office building to complete consolidation of the branch in one location.

This action is a part of the overall Station changes that have been under way for some time.

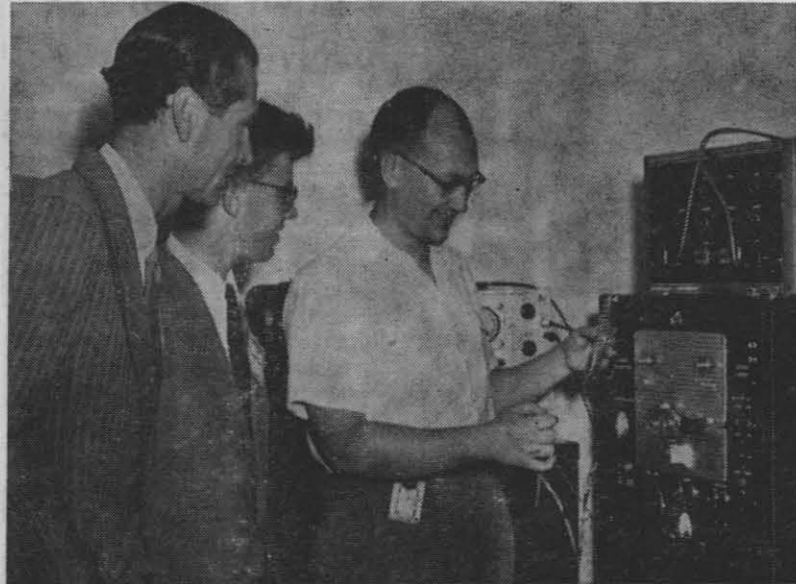
Heavy machinery continues to arrive at Michelson Laboratory from the Pasadena Annex. Recently put in place were two Cincinnati-Bickford drill presses, one Marvel cutoff saw, one arc welding machine and three American Pacemaker lathes.

## DIRECTORY WAITS ON MOVES

Issue of a new Station telephone directory will be made later in the year when the bulk of the moves and personnel changes have taken place, according to the Command Administration Department. It is felt that the interests of economy as well as accuracy will be better served in this way, despite the fact that the present directory is somewhat out of date.



## Visitors From Australia



W. C. J. WHITE, left, Principal Officer, and P. L. N. Goddard, center, Experimental Officer, of the Mathematics Group, Long Range Weapons Establishment in Southern Australia, visited the Station recently to discuss data reduction and computing with personnel of the Test Department. They are shown with R. W. Herman, acting head of the data reduction and analysis branch.

## Nominations Now Being Received For Annual Public Service Awards

Nominations of candidates to be considered for the annual Rockefeller Public Service Awards for outstanding public service are due now. Ten such awards are to be presented throughout the nation.

Persons may become candidates either by nomination of the commanding officer, or upon their own application, but the committee on selection will consider only those candidates whose applications have been endorsed by the Secretary of the Navy. Applications for this year's awards must be submitted in time to reach the management control bureau of the Navy Department Office of Industrial Relations not later than Monday, Aug. 2.

The Rockefeller Public Service Awards administered by Princeton University as a national trust are designed to give special recognition to outstanding public service by civilians in the executive branch of the federal government.

The program is open to federal career employes whose performance has been distinguished by intellectual maturity, leadership, character and competence and who evidence a sincere interest in public service as a career.

Preference will be given to candidates of from 35 to 50 years of age who have a minimum of five years' service in the federal government. Candidates need not be graduates of a college or university.

The Rockefeller awards are sufficient to enable each recipient, at no financial sacrifice to himself, to spend not less than six nor more than twelve months in residence at an educational institution of the individual's choice, or in some comparable educational activity.

The candidate's proposed course of education activity should have potential value not only to the individual but to the government service as well. Applicants must submit a statement outlining the nature of their proposed educational activity, the desirable time schedule and the proposed place of their training. This must be accompanied by letters from three or more persons competent to provide evidence of the candidate's attainments and career potential, and an appraisal of his proposed program.

Announcement of the award recipients will be made in February 1955.

## Station Visited By Officer From CNO

Captain Paul H. Ramsey, USN, arrived yesterday and was scheduled to depart today after a tour of Station installations and study of current programs here. He is assistant director of the Air Warfare Division of Chief of Naval Operations, and head, Military Requirements and Developments Branch.

He commanded a fighter squadron early in World War II in the Pacific and was aboard the original USS Lexington when she went down in 1942. During the Korean conflict he commanded the USS Philippine Sea during one combat tour.

**CITATION GIVEN LABORATORY**  
A Presidential Citation was awarded last week to the University of California's Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory for its outstanding achievements in the research and development of the nation's nuclear and thermonuclear weapons.

## REPORTS FROM Technical Departments

### Seminar Planned On Visual Aids

A seminar on effective use of visual materials in technical presentations will be held on Monday between 10 and 11:30 a.m. in Room 2067, Michelson Laboratory.

The session is scheduled primarily for the benefit of members of the Station's technical organization who frequently present talks to groups of official visitors concerning aspects of the Station's technical program.

The seminar, conducted by Carlos H. Elmer, assistant director of education, will include discussions of the use of various types of projectors, microphone and blackboard use, examples of good and unsatisfactory lantern slides, and showing of a Navy motion picture outlining methods for efficient use of visual materials in instruction.

### Magazine Features Article by McClung

An article by R. M. McClung, head of development division No. 3, Aviation Ordnance Department, is published in this month's edition of 1455, the Bureau of Ordnance Naval Reserve information bulletin.

Entitled "What To Do Until the Statistician Arrives," the article describes some of the basic statistical knowledge which the present-day ordnance test engineer should have.

### Michelson Honored In 'All Hands' Feature

Prof. Albert A. Michelson, for whom Michelson Laboratory was named, was the subject of the "Way Back When" feature in the BuPers All Hands magazine for July.

Headed "Navyman aided research in physics," the item credits Prof. Michelson with doing fundamental research in the speed of light which aided Prof. Albert Einstein in evolving his theory of relativity.

Prof. Michelson was graduated from the U. S. Naval Academy in 1873 and taught physics and chemistry there from 1875 through 1879.

### DR. BAILEY VISITS ANNEX

PASADENA—Visiting the Station last week was Dr. Joseph Bailey, member of the faculty of the Harvard School of Business Administration. He spent some time with Robert W. Anderson, head of the Personnel Department, before visiting Norman J. Newcomb, Dr. Paul Buchanan, and E. J. Jones, Jr., of the personnel division at the Annex. Dr. Bailey expressed his regret that his stay was too limited to permit renewing acquaintance with his former students who attended his class in management practices last year.

### Math, Engineering Courses Announced For Fall Semester

Advance notice has been received regarding a series of six off-campus graduate courses to be offered here next Fall by UCLA. To assist students in planning their programs for the Fall semester, the following schedule is published.

#### Engineering

**Engineering 103B, Fluid Mechanics**—Ray W. Van Aken, instructor; 30 meetings, \$27, 3 units. Prerequisites: Engineering 103A or 105B.

**Engineering 198, Directed Group Studies (Transistors)**—Roderrick M. McClung, instructor; 30 meetings, \$27, 3 units. Prerequisites: Senior standing in engineering and consent of instructor.

**Engineering 298, Seminar in Engineering (Transients in Linear Fields)**—Walter P. Reid, instructor; 30 meetings, \$27, 3 units. Prerequisites: Graduate standing and consent of instructor.

**Engineering 299, Research in Engineering**—Dean L.M.K. Boelter, in charge; number of meetings, cost of the course and the units of credit will be arranged later. Prerequisites: Graduate standing in engineering and consent of instructor.

#### Mathematics

**Mathematics 1991, Special Problems in Mathematics (Boolean Algebra)**—Frank E. Bothwell, instructor; 30 meetings, \$27, 3 units. Prerequisite: Consent of the instructor.

**Mathematics 19911, Special Problems in Mathematics (Advanced Statistics)**—Kermit G. Clemans, instructor; 30 meetings, \$27, 3 units. Prerequisite: Consent of the instructor.

Students desiring to take any of the courses listed may register in Room 20105, Michelson Laboratory during the week of Sept. 13.



## News from Pasadena



WINNERS OF THE ANNEX golf tournament, the Hole-in-Oners, are, left to right, CDR Fredric B. Clarke, Bureau of Ordnance technical liaison officer; LCDR Louis E. Benitez, assistant BOTLO; CDR H. P. McNeal, assistant Officer-in-Charge, Pasadena Annex; and CDR R. M. Tunnel, executive officer, Office of Naval Research, Pasadena.

### Commanders' Team Wins Golf Tourney

PASADENA—The Pasadena Annex golf tourney ended recently with only a narrow margin separating the two top teams. The Commanders' team, the Hole-in-Oner's finally came through to win the tournament, with a season score of 29 won and 7 lost. Runners-up were the Putt-Putts, with 27 wins and 9 losses.

Other final standings: A.M.E.C. Golfers, 24 won, 12 lost; NOTS Enough 23 and 13; '69-ers 15 and 17; Duffers 15 and 19; P.W.'s 15 and 19; Champs, 14 and 22; Perambulators, 9 and 27, and Rangers 5 and 31.

Season's end golf ball winners were CDR R. M. Tunnel, with a low gross of 42; Leo Enriquez, with a low net of 35-2-33, and Bill McCullough, with a second low net of 42-7-35.

Match play for the flight championship started Monday and will continue for four weeks. Pairings will be posted both at Thompson Lab and at Foothill. The winner's name will be added to those of former years on the Station plaque.

### No More Vitamins Sold at Thompson Lab

The sale of vitamins in the travel office at Thompson Lab has been discontinued, according to word from Bill Griffith, president of ESO. Vitamins may be obtained through the Dispensary at Foothill.

Thompson Lab employes may send money and requests to the Dispensary via guard mail, or through a fellow employe using the shuttle bus. Security guards cannot assume the responsibility for making purchases of vitamins.

### Generosity of NOTS Employes Praised

Recognition for "outstanding service and cooperation in behalf of the cause of cerebral palsy" came to the Employes Service Organization last week, in a letter acknowledging "with genuine gratitude" the contribution of \$685.14 made by Annex employes.

A letter from L. Otis Ivey, campaign treasurer and vice-chairman of the board of the Citizens National Bank and Trust Company, Los Angeles, reads: "Through your generosity, aid is made available to the estimated more than 7000 cerebral palsy individuals in Los Angeles County."

Mr. Ivey's letter concludes, "In behalf of our officers and directors, and the thousands of volunteer workers devoted to this cause, I assure you of continued diligence in making your welcome dollars return the maximum in fulfillment of our comprehensive program of direct benefits."

### Morris Dam Group Holds Swimmer Frolic

One hundred people enjoyed a dance last Friday sponsored by the Morris Dam Welfare Fund. Held at the American Legion Hall in East Pasadena, the music was supplied by Pat Bredice's orchestra.

Refreshments were prepared by the wives of the members of the dance committee. Mrs. Ernest Crescenti made potato salad, Mrs. Hugh W. Armstrong and Mrs. Lowell G. Rickard each baked a ham, and Mrs. Charles O. Bailey, Jr., brought baked beans. Bob Graf also helped.

The party was so successful that another is being planned in the fall.

## Diving Officer Hendon To Leave for Korea

LCDR Robert M. Hendon, USN, diving officer, is to be detached from the Station July 30. His orders read: "You will proceed to Pusan, Korea, and upon arrival report to the Chief, U. S. Navy Advisory Group, Republic of Korea, for duty as the relief of LCDR Adolph M. Bothne."

Chief Torpedoman Marion M. Brown will serve as diving officer following the departure of LCDR Hendon.

At a farewell luncheon for LCDR

Hendon last Tuesday, friends from many departments at the Annex gathered to give him a going-away gift and wish him well on his new mission. In thanking them, LCDR Hendon said, "This has been a mar-



LCDR Robert M. Hendon

velous tour of duty for me. I hope you all continue with the splendid spirit evidenced throughout the Station. Never have I experienced such spirit. It is most commendable."

Coming to NOTS in 1952, LCDR Hendon has been in charge of torpedo retrieving operations at Morris Dam. He holds the Navy record for the greatest number of hours spent under water as a diver.

In 1942, after the Japanese onslaught on Pearl Harbor, LCDR Hendon was in charge of all salvage operations.

Enlisting in the Navy in 1930, LCDR Hendon has held all the ranks from apprentice seaman to his present commission. During World War II he served on battleships, cruisers, and salvage vessels. He did salvage work off the shores of European countries and later was assigned to the 17th Naval District in Alaska, where he supervised the construction of underwater rails.

LCDR Hendon, his wife, Vera Lee, and two children, Sherilyn and Thomas, have been living in Long Beach. The family will continue its residence there during LCDR Hendon's absence in the Orient.

### Mrs. Sellars Sends Thanks to Annex

A note addressed to "Dear NOTS—all of you" was received at the Annex recently from Mrs. Robert F. Sellars. She and Captain Sellars moved to China Lake in June, when Captain Sellars was ordered to the post of Station Executive Officer.

"We are finally settled in our new home," wrote Mrs. Sellars, "and the beautiful salad bowl given us by the Annex has a place of honor. It sits on a special table of its own in the dining room, the envy of all who see it."

"We are enjoying China Lake very much, and those of you who will be moving this way will certainly like it also. Thank you all for the wonderful party and the lovely bowl. Do come see us!"

### Safety Slogans To Be Featured

So many excellent slogans were submitted in the recent contest that it would be a waste to toss them all into the "round file." This is the opinion of John L. Campbell, safety director, and Fred M. Corey, safety inspector at the Annex. From now on, they will select a slogan to appear on this page each week.

"An accident without cause can't hurt because it won't happen . . . Duncan R. Gillespie, control division, Supply and Fiscal Department.

That's for this week. Watch for the "Safety Slogan of the Week."

# SPORTS

## Rocket Nine Ends Victory Drouth With 5-2 Win Over Edwards AFB

A long victory drouth ended Wednesday night for the Rockets when the local nine pounded out a 5-2 win over the Edwards Air Force Base team at Schoeffel field.

Jim Novak went the distance on the mound for the Rockets and was credited with the win. He struck out nine men and was touched for nine

scattered hits. Two timely double plays aided the Rockets when the third and the ninth, cutting off scoring threats.

Novak pitched his way out of trouble in the fifth by striking out three men after the bases were loaded. The first two Edwards' men were safe at first on the only errors committed by the Rockets in the game, and the third man up was struck by a pitched ball, before Novak settled down and struck out the next two batters. He then issued a walk to force in one run, but ended the inning with another strikeout.

The Rockets got the jump on the visitors, scoring two runs in the second and one in the third before the airmen could push across a single tally. "Doc" McCaffery, Rockets second baseman, who was the game's leading hitter with three hits in four trips to the plate, singled in the second and scored on a triple by Bob Forster, first baseman for the locals. Forster then romped home on a single by Dennis Creager, Rockets catcher.

Novak drew a walk in the third and moved around the bases to score on a single by Lou Radcliff and a long fly ball hit to center field by Dick Ramsey.

Edwards got its only earned run in the fourth inning when left fielder Jim Wilcox singled, stole second and then scored on a hit by Wayne Bourque, right fielder. The visitors' only other run, in the fifth, was the result of errors and a walk.

The Rockets scored their final two runs of the game in the fifth and sixth innings, when Ramsey hit a three-bagger to drive in Radcliff, and McCaffery singled, moved to second and third on wild pitches, and then scored on a sacrifice by Creager.

The locals had trouble with Edwards relief pitcher John Backus, who came on in the sixth and limited the Rockets to one hit, while striking out eight.

The Rockets will play the Edwards team again next Friday night, July 30, at Schoeffel field.

## Annex Softball Team At Top of League

PASADENA — The Foothill team has been on the march to the top of the league during the second round of the San Gabriel Valley "B" League play at Arcadia Park.

In the first game, they trampled the Boys Christian League, 9 to 4. Last week, in a one-hit shutout, the Covina Knights were routed 9 to 0. Last Tuesday evening, the game with Temple City Baptist team resulted in a 10 to 3 victory for NOTS.



NOW, NOW DEARIE, or words to that effect, appears to be the expression used in the argument between "Mrs. Dunaway's Son," in the sundress, and "Gorgeous George" Horine, hiding behind the fantastic hairdo. Marshall Brea, in the striped pants, isn't too sure where "George" got the coiffure he is shown sporting at the Little League Fathers softball game last Friday, but he claims that it was designed by fashion experts in the floor and dust mop division at the Johnson Wax Company.

## Laughs, Mayhem Reign at Little League Fathers Softball Game

By B. A. TYLER

Spectators at the Little League Fathers game held Friday at Diamond No. 1, were treated to a rare exhibition of softball.

No holds or plays were barred in the free-for-all that provided more excitement than a three-ring circus. The game was announced by Ty Blair, former Little League commissioner, who at times took it upon himself to act as an umpire. The players, if the term may be used loosely, roamed all over the field and even up into the grandstands.

A spectator's first glance at the players and their unorthodox uniforms was enough to convince even the most skeptic onlooker that any resemblance between this and an organized game would be purely accidental.

The first inning, if it may be called that, started with "Flip" Colson, pitching for the American League. His uniform consisted of shorts, sun helmet, basketball knee pads and swim fins. Behind the plate was "Old Redhead" Osborne, with "Speedy" Gibson playing third base. "Oops" Nowak, sported a grass skirt and "Mrs. Dunaway's Son" was simply stunning, playing left field in a green sundress.

The uniforms for the National League were not too odd, excepting for the one worn by "Gorgeous George" Horine, which was set off by a "discouraged floor mop" hairdo. Incidentally, that was exactly what his coiffure was made of, a yellow mop.

As the game got underway, with about the most unorthodox set of rules imaginable, the fun began. Batters were using three bats taped together, and bats with pieces of 1 inch by 12 inch boards nailed to them. Anything could and did hap-

pen. Runners were called out for running bases in the accepted manner when the rules called for them to be run in reverse order, pitched balls, traveling at least ten feet above the batters head were called strikes and confusion generally held sway.

"Speedy" Gibson played a bang-up game at third, as did a number of other players, which came as a complete surprise to the spectators. John "you're all bums" Dragovich was seen wielding a bat while he was supposed to be catching. The reason for this was evident a moment later when he swung at a pitch which the batter missed and promptly put it over the fence. Of course, the rule stating that a ball knocked over the fence was an automatic out, had nothing to do with it. Drag wouldn't take advantage of an opposing player.

In the three, or maybe it was only two, innings that were played, the Little League fathers provided the fans with more startling plays and good clean fun than has been seen here in many days.

While the game ended in a 5 to 5 tie, nevertheless, the National League fathers felt that they had been the victims of unfair play and would like to prove to the American League fathers that they can beat them any time of the day or night.

The whole affair was exciting and provided many laughs for everyone especially the part where "Woo Woo" Brea threw what was supposed to be a pail of water at the umpire who had taken refuge in the grandstand. The "water" however, turned out to be confetti, but not before a number of fans had scrambled out of the way to prevent receiving an unwelcome shower.

## Local Team To Vie Tomorrow in Pony League Play-offs

Fourteen members of the Pony League All-Stars will travel to San Bernardino tomorrow for the sectional play-offs against teams from San Bernardino and Needles, according to C. L. Ingle, team manager.

The boys who will make the trip and the local clubs which they represent are: Gene Vejtasa, Jerry Segler, Larry Ellington, and Gary Koehler, from the Cubs; Waiter Barra, Ronald LaRosa, and Gordon LaCombe, from the Indians; Douglas Schmid, Bob Short, Larry Ingle and Gary Osborn, from the Cardinals; and Dale Mead, Billy Sturgeon and Denny Stevenson, playing for the Reds. L. T. Case Jr., will act as coach for the play-offs.

Mr. Ingle, who is also president of the Pony League board of directors, has issued a call for adults with automobiles to assist him in providing transportation. The trip will necessitate an overnight stay, since the boys will be playing a second game on Sunday.

The play-offs will be held at the Parris Hill ball park. Arrangements have been made for the boys to stay at the Antlers Hotel during the tourney. Drivers, however, must furnish their own accommodations.

## Local Netters Lose To Bakersfield, 5-4

Members of the China Lake Tennis Club were away last week for a series of matches with the Bakersfield Racket Club. The goddess of fortune seemed to be smiling in some other direction as the local racketeers wound up on the short end of a 5-4 count.

In the first four singles matches, F. W. Jones, Bob Lynn, Pete Des Jarlais and Hubert Mau, all of Bakersfield, defeated Don-Beresford, Ned Crow, Ed Ashburn and Jerry Whitnack, respectively. In other singles matches, John Miles and Reggie Low, of China Lake, won their sets over Pierce Graves and Bryon Rapp, by scores of 6-0, 6-1 and 7-5, 6-0.

China Lake fared a little better in the doubles, taking two of the three sets. Ed Ashburn and Jerry Whitnack teamed up to defeat Des Jarlais and Clarke, 8-6 and 6-2. Miles and Low also proved too much for their Bakersfield opponents, Jones and Rapp, taking the sets 6-1 and 6-2. Beresford and Crow ran into a little touch luck, dropping their sets 6-2 and 6-1 to Lynn and Mau.

## Summer Schedule Set At Swimming Pool

A new schedule of open swimming hours at the Station gymnasium pool became effective this week, and will continue in operation until Sept. 10.

The hours are: 5 to 9 p.m., Monday; 12 noon to 4 p.m., and 5 to 9 p.m. Tuesday through Friday; and 12 noon to 4 p.m., and 5 to 8 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

## Desert Sportsmen Plan Safety Course For Teen-Agers

A hunter safety course will be started next Wednesday by the Desert Sportsmen's Association for teenage boys and girls of the China Lake area up to 16 years old.

Students will meet Wednesday evening at 7:30 in front of the Boy Scout hall. The preliminary stages of the course will be held at the China Lake Rifle Club building, and the actual firing will be held at the rifle range at Inyokern.

Bob Martin, an instructor designated by the National Rifleman's Association, will teach the course, assisted by other members of the sportsmen's club. Rifles will be available for all students who do not have one of their own. The only charge will be that made to cover the cost of the ammunition.

Further information concerning the safety course may be obtained by calling Carter Vick at 9320 or 9211.

Youngsters under 16 years of age must have a certificate of completion from a hunter safety course before they can obtain a junior hunting license.

## Teen-Agers Swamp Office With Calls For Part-Time Jobs

Community Services Division officials reported a deluge of telephone calls from teen-agers wishing to register for part-time summer jobs, as a result of the story published in last week's Rocketeer.

Consequently, there is now a surplus of job seekers and no more job applicants' names are being taken at the Community Services office. Residents having odd jobs for teen-agers during the summer months are asked to call 71528 to obtain the names of those seeking work.

While the Community Services office has all the teen-age job applicants it can possibly handle, there is a shortage of persons offering rides on week-ends to various Southern California cities. Persons who regularly travel on weekends to Los Angeles, Bakersfield, San Bernardino or other Southland cities, and are interested in taking passengers, should register at the Community Services office in the housing office building.

## Western Dance Slated at Anchorage

A Western dance has been scheduled tomorrow night at the Anchorage for all Station enlisted personnel and their guests.

Dancing to music of The Westernaires will begin at 9 p.m. and continue until 1 a.m. Western attire is optional.

## PETRIFIED FOREST

Bingo Petrified Forest State Park in Washington covers 5980 acres. (AFPS)

## Science Show



A DEMONSTRATION of the reaction that takes place in an automobile carburetor when a mixture of gasoline and air is ignited is shown by David Smith during the General Motors "Previews of Progress" show held last week at the Station theater. Several recent developments in industrial scientific research were shown on the program, which portrayed the story of progress through science and engineering.

## Wherry Homes . . .

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ed 25 new Wherry housing occupants. They are:

**Civilians**—Miles Ross, John Haymaker, Harold Reinhardt, Paul Thomas, Robert McArtor, Benjamin Matteson, Rev. F. E. Stillwell, Charles W. Lewis, Sheldon McKillop, David W. Beal, Robert E. Johns, Rollin Lincoln, John D. Smith, Emmett Crane, Adolph Mercado, E. V. Gallejos, James Fulmer, Joseph M. Totten, Samuel Wyatt, Robert Dunlap, Clyde Marley, M. A. Fairfull, Theodore Kruse and Francis Albers.

**Military personnel**—M/Sgt. J. P. Berbillion and Raymond Wagner, AOC.

## Two Supply Dept. Employes Married

PASADENA—Married at the Sacred Heart Church in Covina were two employes of the Supply and Fiscal Department, Beatrice Cracchiolo and Bernard Guy.

More than 60 Annex friends were on hand to watch the bride, wearing a floor-length gown of white satin and lace, fingertip veil, and pearl and rhinestone tiara, come down the aisle on the arm of her father. Her flowers, carried on a white prayer book, were white orchids and white feathered carnations.

The matron of honor, Mrs. Alphonso Cracchiolo, wore orchid taffeta and carried a bouquet of yellow carnations. The groom and his best man, Alphonso Gracchiolo, brother of the bride, wore white dinner jackets and dark trousers.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy are now at home in Monterey Park.

## Station Employes Involved in Three Lost-Time Accidents

Three lost-time accidents involving Public Works employes were reported this week, necessitating the hospitalizing of one.

Carl C. Davidson, a refrigeration and air conditioning mechanic, was working around the core ice machines in the cold storage building Tuesday when he slipped and wrenched his right knee. He is now in the Station Infirmary.

Edmund G. Harris, a shop planner in the Public Works Department, was working with the "close down" crew at the China Lake Pilot Plant Monday, when part of a filing cabinet, which he was dismantling, slipped crushing the tip of the second finger of his left hand. A report from safety officials stated that the finger was so badly crushed that it was necessary to amputate it back to the first joint.

Another Public Works employe, G. C. Millard, an apprentice mechanic, was assisting Robert L. Leighton in unloading an automobile fly-wheel last week when the wheel slipped striking him on the right foot. He was taken to the Infirmary where he was treated for a fracture of the bone in the large toe.

## 4 More Employes Move to China Lake

Four more employes have transferred to China Lake from the Pasadena Annex, bringing to a total of 33 the number that have been moved as a result of the reorganization of Station departments.

The new arrivals at China Lake are Freedy C. Bowlin, helper, and David L. Pruitt, Roland A. Lincoln and Raymond Cleland, machinists.

## MORE GIRLS NEEDED

L/TJG R. J. Orrock, special services officer, has issued a call for additional girls to join the Powder Puff League. All necessary equipment such as bats, balls, and practice uniform pants, will be furnished by the recreation department. Any girls who are interested may register by calling Louise Rees at 75632.

## BIRTHS

### Boys

**Leslie**—Michael Lee, 7 lbs., 1 oz., July 15, at the Ridgecrest Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Leslie Jr., 312 Durado.

**Shaw**—Ernest Karl, 8 lbs., 4 ozs., July 14, at China Lake to Mr. and Mrs. Roy D. Shaw, 51-B Dewey.

### Girls

**Bland**—Katherine Louise, 6 lbs., 12 ozs., July 16, at China Lake to Mr. and Mrs. Curtis W. Bland, 103-A Independence.

**Lewis**—Peggy Susan, 6 lbs., 15½ ozs., July 15, at the Ridgecrest Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Richard D. Lewis, 79-A Renshaw.