

Scout Outing Set Tomorrow, Sunday

Approximately 150 boy scouts from the Desert District, which includes scouts from China Lake troops 3, 35 and 41, will hold their annual fall encampment at Isabella Lake, near Kernville, tomorrow and Sunday.

Theme for the encampment will be "Advancement in Scoutercraft," with emphasis being given to advancing each scout as far as possible in the various requirements of the scouting program. Included on the agenda for the outing will be a movie to be presented by a forest ranger from the Kernville area.

Localities represented at the encampment will be China Lake, Tona, Mojave, Boron, Rand District, Tehachapi, Monolith and Kernville.

COMMISSARY TO CLOSE

The Commissary Store will close at 12 noon on 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
 Swing Shift Matinee, Tuesday and Thursday TODAY OCT. 22
 "BETRAYED" (108 Min.)
 Clark Gable, Lana Turner, Victor Mature
 Shorts: "Flea Circus" (7 Min.)
 News (10 Min.)
 SATURDAY OCT. 23
 "DUEL IN THE JUNGLE" (102 Min.)
 Dana Andrews, Jeannie Croine
 Shorts: "Pig In a Pickle" (7 Min.)
 MATINEE
 "VALIANT HOMBRE" (62 Min.)
 Duncan Renaldo, Leo Carrillo
 Shorts: "Thumb Fun" (7 Min.)
 "Bat Man" No. 8 (16 Min.)
 SUN.-MON. OCT. 24-25
 "BLACK SHIELD OF FALWORTH" (99 Min.)
 Tony Curtis, Janet Leigh
 Short: "Autumn In Rome" (9 Min.)
 TUESDAY OCT. 26
 "BLACK GOLD" (89 Min.)
 Anthony Quinn, Katherine DeMille
 Shorts: "Johnny Fedora" (8 Min.)
 "Candid Mike" No. 1 (11 Min.)
 News (10 Min.)
 "ARGENTINA"
 Adult Education Lecture by Nicol Smith
 8 p.m.
 WEDNESDAY OCT. 27
 "BLACK GOLD" (89 Min.)
 Anthony Quinn, Katherine DeMille
 Shorts: "Johnny Fedora" (8 Min.)
 "Candid Mike" No. 1 (11 Min.)
 News (10 Min.)
 THURS.-FRI. OCT. 28-29
 "RICOCHET ROMANCE" (80 Min.)
 Marjorie Main, Chill Wills
 Shorts: "Cat Fishing" (7 Min.)
 "Basketball Headlines" (15 Min.)
 News (10 Min.)

Television Set Donated



APPRECIATION for the free use of Station recreational facilities was expressed recently by the China Lake Kennel Club through the donation of a 21-inch television set for the China Lake Community Center. Shown receiving the gift from Thomas Harwell, center, club president, are Richard C. O'Reilly, Community Manager, left, and LTJG Raymond J. Orrock, head of the recreation division. A portion of the club's profits from the recent Fiesta were spent to purchase the TV set, which has not yet been connected up for use.

Halloween Carnival Planned Oct. 30 By China Lake PTA

Plans are in full swing for a Halloween carnival for pre-school children to be held Saturday, Oct. 30, from 4 to 10 p.m. at the Burroughs High School parking lot area.

The program is being sponsored by the China Lake PTA. Its purpose is to provide a planned activity on Halloween for local youngsters, as well as to raise funds to help carry on PTA work.

Each high school grade level is to have two booths—one a food concession and the other offering some type of entertainment—and the Burroughs student council also will have one booth.

Proceeds from the student council booth will go into the fund currently being collected for the purchase of high school band uniforms and choir robes, while the returns from each of the other booths will go into PTA coffers.

Two costume parades, one for pre-school through third grade youngsters and the other for students in the fourth through twelfth grades, also are planned, with prizes for all entrants.

Lewis D. Radcliff, ways and means chairman of the China Lake PTA, is the carnival chairman, assisted by Mrs. Sidney Shefler.

FIRST RIFLE TEAM

The first Marine rifle team was formed in 1898 to participate in the Hilltop Trophy Match. However, war was declared on Spain and the team was disbanded. (From AFPS)

High School Classes Elect New Officers

New student officers were elected this week at Burroughs High School to help plan and direct activities sponsored by the various classes during the school year.

Jay Parsell, Suzanne Hough and Carma Haycock were elected to serve as presidents of the senior, junior and sophomore classes, respectively. In an earlier election, Florence Childers was chosen to head the freshman class.

Other class officers are:
Senior class—Carol Bussolini, vice-president; Gwennell Fisher, secretary and Gary Stevenson, treasurer.

Junior class—John Booty, vice-president; Alice Cotner, secretary, and Norma Ives, treasurer.

Sophomore class—Pat Whitley, vice-president; Margaret Kraynyk, secretary, and Linda Costello, treasurer.

Freshman class—Bill Sturgeon, vice-president; Priscilla Montegrando, secretary, and Janice Nicol, treasurer.

Local Legionnaires Hold District Offices

Three members of the John M. Armitage American Legion Post and Auxiliary were elected to offices during the recent 27th District meeting held in Bishop.

Alvin Pooley was chosen to serve as second vice-commander of the men's group, while Bessie Pooley and Mary Ellen Nicholson were elected sergeant-at-arms and parliamentarian, respectively, for the district auxiliary.

Lecture Program To Feature Film On "Argentina"

Argentina, land of the "gaucho," beautiful cities, towering mountain ranges and mighty jungle waterfalls that dwarf the splendor of Niagara, will be the subject of a color film-lecture by Nicol Smith, to be presented at the Station theater, Tuesday at 8 p.m.

Mr. Smith has had considerable experience in dealing with people of many foreign lands. During World War II he was a secret agent in Vichy, France. Later, a lieutenant-colonel in the OSS under General Donovan, he handled the infiltration of American-trained Siamese agents through the Japanese lines into Siam.

In the coming film-lecture, which is the first full-length film to be completed in Argentina since General Peron came into power, Smith covers the "many Argentinas" that go to make up the great beef-raising land to the south.

The film presentation covers the whole of Argentina from the falls of Iguazu in the north to Tierra del Fuego and Ushuaia, the world's southernmost city. Included in the 1800 mile flight south are scenes taken of Lake Kami and the Marinelli Glacier, which is photographed for the first time.

A thousand miles southwest of Buenos Aires is the national park of Nahuel Huapi where California redwoods planted 30 years ago are still flourishing. A motor trip is taken over San Martin's trail, showing scenes of the famous Christ of the Andes statue on the border of Chile and a view of the Aconcagua, the highest mountain in the western hemisphere.

This is the fourth in a series of five lectures offered free to residents of the area as a part of the adult education program.

Dance Set Tonight At Community Center

A Harvest Moon Dance in honor of CDR R. L. Myers, SC, USN, supply and fiscal officer, and Mrs. Myers, will be held at the China Lake Community Center tonight.

Dancing will start at 9 with music furnished by the Blue Notes. All employees of the department are invited as guests of the recreation club which is sponsoring the event.

Free tickets to the affair may be obtained through departmental supervisors.

Assessment Division Dance Set Wednesday

Employees of the assessment division, Test Department, will hold a costume dance at the China Lake Community Center next Wednesday.

Dancing, which will start at 8 p.m., will be to recorded music. All division employees attending the affair are asked to wear a Halloween costume.

THE WEATHER
 Mostly clear skies over the weekend with variable surface winds increasing to 15 to 20 knots in the afternoons. Maximum 86, minimum 48.

Rocketeer

TEMPERATURES (Housing Area)	
	Max. Min.
Oct. 14	90 49
Oct. 15	89 44
Oct. 16	92 41
Oct. 17	95 64
Oct. 18	90 45
Oct. 19	91 49
Oct. 20	90 45

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Candidates' List Increased to 35 For Council Election

The eleventh hour filing of nominating petitions by six more candidates for election to the China Lake Community Council this week swelled the total number of candidates for the Nov. 2 election to 35.

Added to the list of 29 candidates published last week are Mary A. Sweeney and LT Arthur C. LeClert, SC, USN, from Precinct One; Wilson A. Flartey, of Precinct Six; James L. Vanover, of Precinct Seven, and H. Danial Williams and Bennie Lou Edwards, of Precinct Ten.

Two candidates will be elected from each of ten precincts. Only two candidates, Nate Rekosh and Dean Hewitt, are assured of election, inasmuch as they are the only two persons to file from Precinct Eight.

The election is contested in each of the other nine precincts, with the off-Station precinct, Number Ten, having the largest number of candidates (five) for its two council seats.

Polls for the Community Council election will be situated on the Station in the vicinity of those to be established for the statewide general election, also to be held on Tuesday, Nov. 2.

A polling place also will be situated in the administration building at the Wherry project, and in the Kern County building in Ridgecrest.

12,000 New Passes Issued Recently By Identification

Approximately 12,000 new Station passes were issued by the identification branch during the recent pass changeover which was conducted from Aug. 1, through Oct. 19. The work was accomplished at an estimated cost of \$15,000, according to G. W. Chilson, head of the identification branch.

The new passes were issued to Civil Service employees, military personnel and off-Station residents, such as contractor employees, business and professional people and high school children living off-Station. The figure of 12,000, however, did not include theater passes issued to children between the ages of 5 and 14.

Fourteen regular identification branch employees and four temporary workers borrowed from other departments handled the processing of the new passes.



CAPTAIN R. F. SELLARS, USN, acting Station Commander, traded his Navy blues for Western garb to lead the fourth annual Desert Empire Fair parade last Saturday morning.

4th Annual Desert Empire Fair Attracts Attendance of Thousands

The fourth annual Desert Empire Fair, which marked a high point in inter-community relations between China Lake and Ridgecrest, came to a successful conclusion Sunday evening. The gala event drew thousands of spectators and hundreds of participants during its three-day stand.

Captain R. F. Sellars, USN, acting Station Commander, led the huge parade that was one of the highlights of the affair, and participation by other Station officials included crowning of the Desert Empire Fair queens Helen Eyre and Paula Byrum by CDR F. R. Whitby Jr., USN, head of the Command Administration Department, with the assistance of LCDR W. H. Lewis, SC, USN, administrative assistant to the Station Commander.

Marching units of Marine Corps and Navy enlisted personnel joined in the parade Saturday morning, as did a Marine Corps color guard, and an exhibit of various types of rockets developed and tested by the Station was on display in the huge exhibit tent on the fairgrounds.

The Station also took charge of the guided missile Regulus, which was brought here from Point Mugu and shown during the parade and also was on exhibit at the fairgrounds.

Concession booths manned by various Indian Wells Valley clubs and organizations during the fair were loaned to the Ridgecrest Chamber of Commerce by the China Lake

Station Receives Motor Vehicle Safety Award

Presentation of the Secretary of the Navy Motor Vehicle Safety Award for 1953, the third consecutive year that the Station has earned this honor, was made yesterday morning by RADM J. P. Whitney, USN, Commander Naval Air Bases of the 11th and 12th Districts, at the Community Center.

Introduced by Captain Robert F. Sellars, USN, acting Station Commander, Admiral Whitney said that he represented Rear Admiral George C. Dyer, USN, Commandant of the 11th Naval District, who was ill, and that he conveyed the congratulations of the Secretary of the Navy.

He commended all persons on the Station who have had a part in gaining the award, and read from the Secretary's message: "In winning this award, you have achieved an accident rate, a casualty rate and a damage cost rate which are better than the Navy-wide average rates in these categories. I extend my congratulations to you and to all of your personnel who contributed to this accomplishment in motor vehicle safety, and I hope that you continue to improve your motor vehicle safety program."

He then presented the award, which was signed by Robert B. Anderson, the Secretary of the Navy, to Captain Sellars.

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X-rays Continue At Station Infirmary

Compulsory chest x-ray examinations for male Civil Service employees will continue next week at the Station Infirmary.

Medical officers are concerned over the fact that employees so far have been slow to respond to notices published regarding scheduling of the examinations, and reminded employees that the chest x-rays are mandatory for all Civil Service employees, and that a chest x-ray by a public health or tuberculosis unit does not excuse an employee from this examination.

Men whose names begin with the following letters will report at the Infirmary next week between the hours of 7:30 and 10 a.m. and from 12:30 to 2 p.m. for chest x-rays:

O and P on Monday; Q and R on Tuesday; S on Wednesday; T and U on Thursday; and V and W on Friday, Oct. 29.

Rapid Improvement Shown by Young

Captain D. B. Young, USN, Station Commander, who has been recovering from an illness in the U. S. Naval Hospital, Bethesda, Md., is improving rapidly.

He attended a banquet this week in honor of members of the Aeroballistics Symposium, sponsored by the Bureau of Ordnance at the Applied Physics Laboratory, Johns Hopkins University. In addition, he no longer has to stay in the hospital overnight.

Captain R. F. Sellars, USN, Executive Officer, visited with Captain Young during a trip to the Bureau of Ordnance this week.

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United Fund Contributions



FIRST DONATIONS in the local United Fund Drive were received recently by CDR J. H. Cathcart, DC, USN, center, fund-raising chairman for the China Lake portion of the campaign. Shown making their contributions are Dr. W. B. McLean, left, Station Technical Director, and Captain R. F. Sellars, USN, acting Station Commander. The drive, which started last Friday, will continue through Nov. 6. Departmental representatives have been appointed to receive contributions in their respective areas. A quota of \$21,214 has been established in order to meet the budget requests submitted by the 11 participating agencies.

Parking Problems Now Being Studied

The Employee-Management Council at China Lake is seeking suggestions from employees regarding possible improvements in auto parking facilities, and allied traffic problems.

At the group's last meeting, Ken Williams, EMCO chairman, suggested that employees contact the council representative in their department if they have any ideas they would like to present on this matter.

Persons unable to contact an EMCO representative, may forward suggestions to the Community Manager's office. Council representatives from the various departments are:

Al Goodale, Supply and Fiscal, Code 2511; Melvin Miller, Test Department, Code 30619; Dave Colpitts, Rocket Development Department, Code 40133; Bob Duguid, Propellants and Explosives Department, Code 4563; George Hucek, Public Works Department, Code 7034; and Muriel Adams, Technical Information Department, Code 7513.

Two other EMCO representatives are Bob Deem, for the Sheetmetal Workers International Association, and Howard Auld, of the National Federation of Federal Employees.

Navy May Manage Local Western Union

Change of management of the Station Western Union office from the California Interstate Telephone Co. to the Navy Exchange is being considered by R. C. O'Reilly, community manager.

Reason given for the proposed change is that the Navy Exchange needs the space now occupied by the telegraph office. This may mean that the telegraph office would be installed in the Navy Exchange retail store, and that its service hours would be shorter than at present.

The Station legal officer is now looking into contract aspects of the case before any definite decision is made.

MARKSMEN'S BADGE

The Navy instituted the Distinguished Marksmen's Badge in 1908. (From AFPS).

Annual Convention Set in San Diego By Fleet Reserve

Inyokern Branch 95 of the Fleet Reserve Association will be represented by five delegates at the 27th national FRA convention to be held next Tuesday through Thursday.

Convention headquarters will be the U.S. Grant Hotel in San Diego.

Terry Driver, president of Branch 95, will head the local delegation. Other members will be George Bartram, Jim Wheeler, Abraham A. Ellis and Daniel Grip.

Among principal items on the convention agenda will be the preparation of resolutions backing a pay raise for military personnel.

A large number of other members of Branch 95 also are expected to attend the convention in an unofficial capacity. Leave will be granted to officers, enlisted personnel and retired personnel now on Station Civil Service rolls who wish to attend the convention, provided that their services can be spared, according to a recently published NOTS Notice.

Voters May Apply For Absentee Ballots

Workers at the Station who have legal voting residences outside the area are reminded that they may send for an absentee ballot any time prior to five days before the election on Nov. 2.

The voter who wishes such a ballot should address his request to the registrar of voters in his district of registration.

Instructions include the following: "At any time on or before an election an absent voter, regardless of whether he is within or without the territorial limits of the United States, may mark his ballot and transmit it to the Registrar of Voters by mail."

TRAFFIC COURT REPORT

Six persons appeared at the Station traffic court this week and received warnings for illegal parking, failing to make a boulevard stop, speeding and driving with only a student driver's permit while no licensed operator was in the car.

Tax Delinquents Affected by New Federal Legislation

New teeth have been put into legislation regarding the collection of taxes by the Department of Internal Revenue.

The new law states that if any persons liable to pay any tax neglects or refuses to do so within 10 days after receiving a notice demanding payment, the tax may be collected by a levy upon the property of such person.

A levy also may be made upon the accrued salary or wages of any officer, employe or elected official of the United States for the purpose of collecting overdue taxes by serving a notice of levy on the employer.

The internal revenue collector has suggested that delinquent taxpayers contact the nearest Internal Revenue Office and arrange for proper adjustment before Jan. 1, 1955.

Ticket Exchange Set For Concert Series

Concert patrons holding season ticket vouchers will be able to exchange the vouchers for reserved seat tickets to the forthcoming series of six concert programs next week.

The voucher exchange will be conducted by officials of the NOTS Civic Concert Association on Wednesday from 6 to 9 p.m. at the China Lake Community Center. The first concert program, featuring the Robert Shaw Chorale and orchestra, is scheduled Nov. 5 at the Station theater.

Two Hospitalized In Local Weekend Traffic Accidents

Six local residents escaped serious injury in a series of automobile accidents during the past weekend in which one vehicle caught fire and two people were hospitalized, according to highway patrol reports.

Edward G. Underwood, HN, apparently fell asleep at the wheel of the vehicle he was driving as it approached the Main Gate and it struck the yellow warning sign. The vehicle and the sign were demolished and Underwood was taken to the Station Infirmary where he was treated for shock and contusions of the abdomen.

Kenneth E. Hart, of Ridgecrest, was driving a 1954 Ford station wagon on a dirt road approximately four miles south of the State Route 212-Highway 395 intersection about 2:30 a.m., Saturday, when the car struck a rut and overturned, catching fire. A passenger, Joe B. Gutierrez, 21, of 245 Warner, Ridgecrest, was taken to the Ridgecrest hospital for observation of a possible back injury.

In another mishap, about nine miles north of Johannesburg, Robert C. Lipold, of Atolia, and his family escaped uninjured when their 1951 Chevrolet overturned. According to California Highway Patrol reports, Lipold stated that he suddenly came upon some cattle in the roadway and when he applied the brakes and turned the front wheels of the car to avoid a collision, the car struck the shoulder of the road and overturned.

What's Doing

Today

Desert Wordpeckers, 8 p.m., Office bldg., Rowe St. School.
 Supply and Fiscal Dance, 8 p.m., Community Center.

Sunday

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

Monday

NOTS Toastmasters, 5:45 p.m., Hideaway.
 Explorer Post 504, 6 p.m., Scout hall.
 Desert Sports Officials, 6 p.m., Training bldg.
 Junior Rifle Club, 6:30 p.m., VFW 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.
 DAV Auxiliary, 7:30 p.m., Rowe St. School.
 Sheetmetal Workers, 7:30 p.m., Community Center.
 Barber Shop Singers, 7:30 p.m., Community Center.
 Order of Eastern Star, 8 p.m., Masonic Temple.

Tuesday

East Kern County P.T.A. Council, 9:30 a.m., Community Center.
 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.
 A.A.U.W., 7:30 p.m., Community Center.
 Lions Club, 7:30 p.m., Village Cafe.
 Civil Air Patrol, 7:30 p.m., Tower, Inyokern field.

Chaplain's Corner

By CHAPLAIN JAMES L. CARTER

Here is a formula for a happier life, tested by members of Alcoholics Anonymous. Yet it contains a message for everyone:

Just for today, I will try to live through this day only, and not tackle my whole life problem at once. I can do something for 12 hours that would appall me if I felt that I had to keep it up for a lifetime.

Just for today, I will try to strengthen my mind. I will learn something useful. I will read something that requires effort, thought, and concentration.

Just for today, I will adjust myself for what is, and not try to adjust everything to my own desires.

Just for today, I will exercise my soul in three ways: I will do somebody a good turn, and not get found out; I will do at least two things I don't want to do—just for exercise; I will not show anyone that my feelings are hurt.

Just for today, I will be agreeable. I will look as well as I can, dress becomingly, talk low, act courteously, criticize not one bit, and try not to regulate anyone but myself.

Just for today, I will have a quiet half-hour all by myself, and relax. During this time, I will try to gain a better perspective of my life.

Just for today, I will be unafraid. I will not be afraid to enjoy what is beautiful, and to believe that as I give to the world, so the world will give to me.

Community Council board of directors, 7:30 p.m., Community Center.
 Women of the Moose, 8 p.m., Moose Lodge.

Wednesday

P.T.A. Mothersingers, 9:30 a.m., Community Center.
 Junior Stamp Club, 4:30 p.m., 105-B Entwistle.
 Concert Association, 6 p.m., Community Center.
 Troop 35, 6:30 p.m., Scout hall.
 Troop 3, 6:30 p.m., Scout hall.
 Troop 41, 6:30 p.m., Hut 301, Rowe St. School.
 Masons, 7 p.m., Masonic Temple.
 IAM Auxiliary, 7:30 p.m., County bldg.
 Naval Reserve, 7:30 p.m., Rm. 2067, Michelson Lab.
 Squaresots Club, 7:30 p.m., Community Center.
 Desert Promenaders, 7:30 p.m., Community Center.
 Community Chest, 7:30 p.m., Community Center.
 Blue Angels Auto Club, 8 p.m., Old Navy Locker bldg.
 6517 Army Reserve, 8 p.m., Training bldg.
 George Washington Carver Club, 8 p.m., Community Center.
 Test Department Dance, 8 p.m., Community Center.

Thursday

Red Cross, 12:30-4:30 p.m., Infirmary.
 Toastmistresses, 6:30 p.m., Community Center.
 Air Force Reserve, 7 p.m., Rm. 2067, Michelson Lab.
 Squadron 503, 7 p.m., Scout hall.
 Pistol Club, 7:30 p.m., Hut 308, Old Contractors area.
 Desert Dancers, 8 p.m., Community Center.
 Job's Daughters, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Temple.
 Eagles Auxiliary, 8 p.m., County bldg.
 VFW, 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.
 China Lake Photo Society, 8 p.m., Community Center.

CONTAGION REPORT

There were no contagious diseases reported at the Station Infirmary this week.

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
 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.
 YOUNG PEOPLE'S FELLOWSHIP, at 6:30 p.m.

PROTESTANT

(Station Chapel)
 Chaplain James L. Carter
 Phone 72247, 71369 or 71506
 Rev. John L. Reid Jr., Pastor
 NOTS Community Church
 Phones 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.

New employes, 16; terminations, 19.

China Lake

NEW EMPLOYES:

Rocket Development—Leon Sanderson, engineering draftsman.
Aviation Ordnance—Philip T. McCormick, physicist; Jerome Beatty, electronics technician.

Engineering—Erwin G. Stiefel, engineering draftsman; Aaron L. Kane, helper, machinist; Albin Karlstrom, electronics engineer.

Test—Alan R. Sound, electronics engineer; Richard E. Millette, engineering aid; Lorraine I. Martin, clerk-typist.

Command Administration—Reine M. Serviss, Lela D. Stanley, clerk-typists; Donald J. Fischback, firefighter.

Supply and Fiscal—Edward L. Martin, time, leave and payroll clerk.

Personnel—Andrew C. Cullinane, apprentice machinist; Rosemary R. Scanlan, clerk-stenographer.

TERMINATIONS:

Public Works—Frank Englebert, laborer.

Test—John W. Dryer.
Supply and Fiscal—Anne M. Ballard, fiscal accounting clerk.

Pasadena

NEW EMPLOYES:

Command Administration—Virginia M. Olson, staff nurse.

TERMINATIONS:

Engineering—William H. Hatfield, production specialist; Stella C. Glackin, fiscal accounting clerk; Leo J. Wantock, industrial engineer; Fred A. Parish, Raymond J. Selwyn, supervisory industrial engineers; Luise A. D. Minkowski, engineering draftsman.

Explosives—Harold W. Kramer, engineering draftsman.

Coming and Going

Public Works—David D. Noser, joiner; Sergeant B. Robinson, laborer.

Personnel—Theodore C. Applebaum, position classifier; Dorothy E. Sheward, clerk-stenographer; Juanita S. Myers, clerk-typist.

Command Administration—Evelyn M. Coyour, telephone operator.
Office of Technical Director—Robert L. Mahin, engineer.

Underwater Ordnance—Murray D. Lesch, supervisory budget specialist.
Supply and Fiscal—Robert B. Howard, storekeeper.

Military

Officers arriving on the Station this week and the billets they have been assigned are: LCDR Arthur F. Tozer, from Naval Auxiliary Air Station, El Centro, Calif., to be first lieutenant at the Naval Air Facility; ENS David B. Hanson, from Indian Head, Md., to be an explosive ordnance disposal officer.

Burroughs Grads Receive Awards In UN Contest

Two graduates of the June 1954 class at Burroughs High School recently received awards of participation with distinction in the 28th annual high school contest conducted by the American Association for the United Nations.

The awards went to Robert Weinland, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Weinland, 4-B Wasp Circle, and Sally Cashore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James J. Cashore, 9-B Wasp Circle.

More than 3300 high students representing every state and territory of the United States took part in the contest.

Both local award winners are continuing their formal education. Weinland is enrolled for the fall quarter at Stanford University, and Miss Cashore is attending the University of California at Riverside.

Job Opportunities

The Personnel Department is seeking persons to fill the following vacancies. Employes and their friends are encouraged to apply for the jobs if they have the required qualifications.

China Lake
Technical Editor, GS-5, 7 or 9. Write and edit reports on electronics, rockets and guided missiles. Call 71510.

Secretarial position with the China Lake schools. Applicants must be able to type and take shorthand well, use good English and be able to spell. Contact Mrs. Pauline Vorhees for an appointment by calling 72921.

Rocket Propelled Weapons Developed To Aid in Combating Submarine Menace

Submarines, the greatest threat to any nation's sea supremacy, are the main objective of an intensive anti-submarine weapons program now being carried on by the Rocket Development Department.

Development in the rocket-propelled anti-submarine weapons group is centered in the surface weapons division, headed by Bernard Smith, who has probably had more actual years of experience in rocket development than any other person on the Station. Rockets have been the weapon of primary interest to Smith since 1932, when he found it necessary to avoid the New Jersey police in order to carry on his experiments.

As an example of the newness of the field at that time and the unpredictability of a weapon of this type then, Smith held his first "shoot" in 1932, and according to him, the rocket rose 300 feet in the air and exploded—just 18 miles short of the calculated distance.

Rockets have been developed to a high degree since these first days. Now the work is centered on a number of classified projects such as "RAT," "Weapon A" and many others, all members of the unguided missile family.

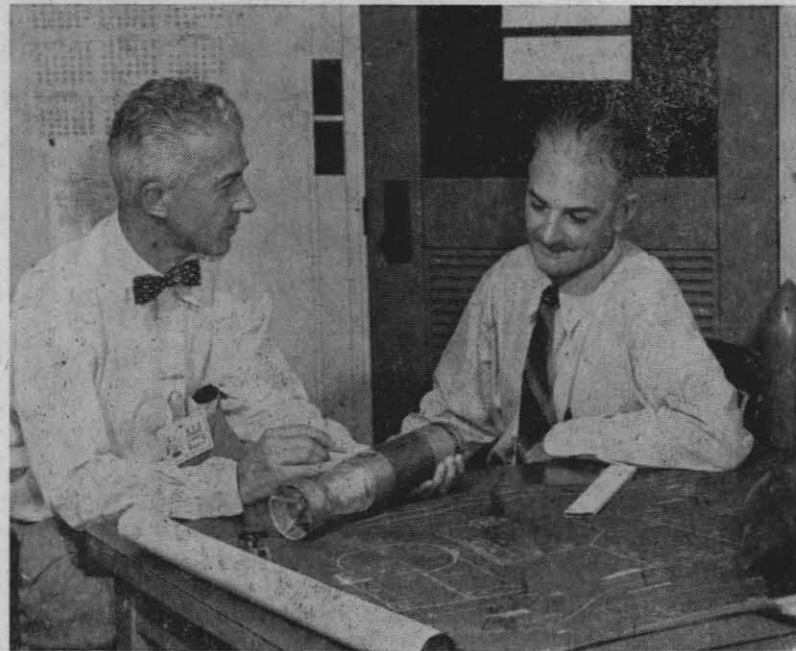
Included in a recent talk given by Smith to a group of reserve ordnance officers was the following statement: "Our weapons in general are not glamorous, they are not destined to win a fighting war in a few weeks, days or hours. They are, in general, simple unguided weapons, that will be used as work horses by the Navy and Marines, day in and day out, requiring no great skills nor deviation from the tactics and equipment presently employed.

"The weapons tend to be simple and unguided and therefore they are less vulnerable to counter-measures than the highly publicized super weapons which capture the imagination of the public today."

One of the group of weapons under development by the Rocket Development Department is "Weapon A," a classified project that is one of the two rocket weapons developed by the Station now in active use by units of the Fleet. It is described as eminently successful by the Bureau of Ordnance. Development of the weapon and the supply to the Fleet units is directed by the surface weapons division.

A second project has been developed along the same lines in the "Weapon A" sub-caliber, which is now in use by the Fleet and which has approximately the same characteristics as the original "Weapon A," but it allows for training of crews in a way that is much less expensive than using the original weapon itself. The sub-caliber training rocket is also used as a research tool.

Two additional projects in the anti-submarine group are "RAT" and the five-inch flare rocket.



DESIGN FEATURES of a depth charge model are discussed by Bernard Smith, left, head of the surface weapons division, and Roy F. Leverenz, head of the shore support weapons division, Rocket Development Department. Water-entry problems on projects developed by the surface weapons division are handled jointly with the Underwater Ordnance Department at the Pasadena Annex.

"RAT," a joint undertaking with the Underwater Ordnance Department, cannot be discussed, because of the security classification of the program, however, the flare rocket may be described to a limited degree by stating that it is used in night anti-submarine warfare and may also be used in night target interdiction.

Still another group of weapons of concern to the surface weapons division are the shore support weapons such as the "Projector and Charge Assembly," and the five-inch spinner rocket group. Description of these two groups is also classified, however, the projector and charge

Rocket Film Work Draws Praise

A letter expressing appreciation for services rendered by Station personnel in production of the 2.75-inch rocket film, "A Problem in Precision," was received recently by the Station Commander from Rear Admiral M. F. Schoeffel, Chief of the Bureau of Ordnance.

The letter from BuOrd was accompanied by communications from five industrial concerns that are occupied with production of this and other defense products, and all expressed enthusiasm and interest in the NOTS film.

Letters were enclosed from the Martin-Parry Corporation of Toledo, Ohio; the Muncie Gear Works, Inc., of Muncie, Ind.; Landers, Frary and Clark of New Britain, Conn.; the Techemseh Products Company of Techemseh, Mich.; and the Easy Washing Machine Corporation of Syracuse, N.Y.

assembly was developed for beach-head offensive tactics. The five-inch spinner rocket is being developed to make inshore fire support ships more effective in setting up a barrage against enemy-held beaches.

According to Smith, the field of development in which his division is now engaged is wide open for more intensive work and more openings are being created every day, although as far as the general public is concerned, the work is practically unknown and will probably remain so for quite some time. The work, nevertheless, is very important and many engineers and scientists are needed to help in carrying out the programs outlined by the Navy.

Enrollment Open In Technical Report Writing Class

Enrollment is now being taken for a proposed course in technical report writing to be held at China Lake under the sponsorship of the University of California extension division.

The course will be at the upper division university level, and the only prerequisite is the consent of the instructor. Meetings will be held on Monday and Wednesday from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m., starting Monday.

There is a tuition fee of \$18, and two units of university credit will be given for the course. John H. Wilson Jr. will be the instructor.

Persons interested in enrolling in the class should contact the office of the Station director of education, telephone 71562, or visit the office in person at Room 20103, Michelson Laboratory.

Reports from Technical Departments

400 Persons Attend AOD Open House

More than 400 persons attended the annual Aviation Ordnance Department open house program held Sunday afternoon on the aircraft and ground ranges.

In addition to AOD employees, their families and friends, there were some 60 members of the American Optical Society and two bus loads of Pasadena Lions Club members on hand for the air and ground rocket firing demonstrations which were held at Baker One and the LB ranges.

Captain R. F. Sellars, USN, acting Station Commander; Dr. W. B. McLean, Station Technical Director, and Dr. F. E. Lowance, Associate Technical Director, were among top Station officials present for the occasion, along with leaders of the Aviation Ordnance Department.

A picnic at Sanquist Spa preceded the rocket firing demonstration and air show. Highlights of the presentation were the tow target pickup by an F2H Banhee, piloted by CDR G. H. Mahler, USN, operations officer at Armitage Field; and the performance of the FTU Cutlass, flown by Joe Angelone, chief test pilot for the Chance-Vought Aircraft Corporation.

Low level passes at both high and low speeds were demonstrated with the Cutlass, and the speedy jet cracked the sonic barrier at a high altitude to produce two shock reports that were heard distinctly on the ground.

'Contact Catalysis' Subject of Lecture

"Twenty Years of Progress in Contact Catalysis" is the subject of a technical lecture to be presented at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Room 2067, Michelson Laboratory.

The speaker for this, the second in the series of lectures in the series on "Modern Chemistry for Engineers and Scientists," will be Dr. Paul H. Emmett, a Fellow at the Mellon Institute of Industrial Research, Pittsburgh, Pa.

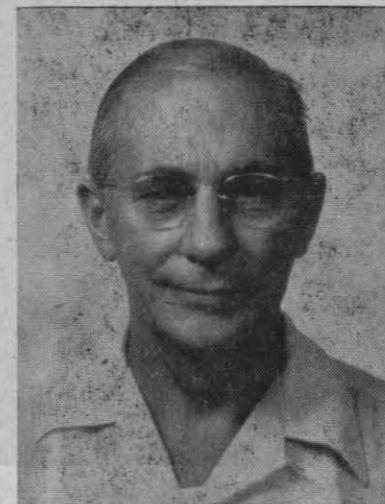
Dr. Emmett will discuss the relation of surface area, pore size, pore size distribution, gas composition, pressure and temperature to catalytic activity.

A former professor of chemical engineering at John Hopkins University from 1937 to 1943, Dr. Emmett worked on the Manhattan Project at Columbia University for a year, and since 1944 has been senior Fellow at the Mellon Institute.

News from Pasadena



THE PASADENA ANNEX safety program is given a boost by John Zivic, left, chairman of the Underwater Ordnance Department committee, and John Campbell, head of the safety branch.



Success of United Fund Drive Will Mean Big 'Lift' for Needy

You can be a member of the task force for Operation Santa Claus!

If you haven't done so, there is one more week in which to sign the United Fund Drive pledge card which makes you a member of the team for the big "lift."

Although one of the seven welfare and charitable agencies covered in the United Fund Drive is known as Operation Santa Claus, the support of any or all of the agencies constitutes a big "lift" in the lives of countless persons.

"The big 'lift' means a continuing program of research, education, and treatment of physical and social disorders for those less fortunate than we are," Dr. J. L. Alford, drive chairman, said.

"And in the case of the agency, Operation Santa Claus, which is an exclusively operated Annex organization, it means lending a helping hand to NOTS families in distress during the year and in giving Christmas cheer to countless adopted youngsters," Dr. Alford said. "Operation Santa Claus is administered at the Annex by the National Federation of Federal Employees."

The 1954 United Fund Drive is aimed at 100 per cent participation. Contributors may designate the agency or agencies they desire to have receive their funds and may specify the area, provided it is located in the greater Los Angeles area.

Other agencies included in the drive are: The American Cancer Society, the American Heart Association, Community Chest, The United Cerebral Palsy Association, American Red Cross and the United Defense Fund.

Serving on the general committee with Dr. Alford are Charlie Redmond, executive secretary; John

Zivic and Hank Alden, Foothill; L. B. Kelly and Mabry Van Reed, Thompson Lab, and CDR Philip Troth, SC, USN, Supply and Fiscal officer.

Serving under Mr. Zivic and Mr. Alden as team commanders are LT M. I. Conard, USN, Merlin Vance, Juanita Thompson, Gloria Miklowitz, Blanche Reust, Mark Hillinger and Bob Schroeder.

Serving under Mr. Kelly and Mr. Van Reed are T. C. Mico, T. F. Gautschi, J. A. Smith, P. F. Bacon, M. W. Rosen, J. L. Jones, Don Cozen, B. Silver, and F. W. Pierce, Chief R. G. Paris represents Command Administration.

Serving under each commander are lieutenants charged with the responsibility of making the individual solicitations for pledges.

Erma Sweitzer's Son Loses Life in Accident

Kenneth Sweitzer, 22-year old son of Mrs. Erma Sweitzer, an editorial clerk in the Underwater Ordnance Department, died last Thursday.

Mr. Sweitzer was killed in a hunting accident near Eugene, Ore. Funeral services were held in Eugene last Monday.

Mr. Sweitzer was an outstanding football star and athlete at the University of Oregon.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by his wife, Synove, and their infant daughter, Elizabeth Ann.

Glenn Benham Heads Insurance Committee

Glenn Benham of the Supply and Fiscal office has been named chairman of the ESO Insurance Committee, replacing Mrs. John Cox who terminated last week.

Underwater Ordnance Personnel Hear Address on Safety Program

The "why" and the "importance" of a safety program was the keynote of the address made by J. L. Campbell, head of the safety branch, at the Underwater Ordnance Department safety committee meeting last week. John Zivic, committee chairman, presided.

"The expense of a safety program is negligible compared to the dividends it pays in saving personnel from injury, from death, and in saving expensive equipment," Mr. Campbell said.

"Our safety program is GOOD BUSINESS—but it can succeed only with the 100 per cent cooperation of every employe."

"The aim of the safety program is

to build enthusiasm for supervisors to carry on safety education and to incorporate safety engineering in all demonstrations, inspections, and the phases of our work. This program is augmented by the use of aids such as posters, safety awards," Mr. Campbell said.

Mr. Campbell listed 15 cardinal safety questions individuals should answer daily. They are:

"While driving to work this morning, did I violate any local or state traffic laws?"

"Do I know the traffic laws and when last did I read the California State Motor Vehicle Code or traffic laws?"

"When did I last check my operating procedures at work? Am I doing my work the safest way?"

"Am I incorporating safety features in my plans for alterations, lay-outs or construction?"

"Am I checking my office, laboratory, shop for unsafe conditions and practices?"

"Am I running instead of walking, lifting in the correct manner, thinking and not day dreaming at work, compensating for any risks I take?"

"Do I have a place for everything and everything in its place?"

"Do I know the safety rules applicable to my work and do I obey them?"

"Am I keeping myself physically fit—alert on the job?"

"Am I familiar with the safety protective equipment available for use in the safety office?"

"Am I conscientiously thinking of my own safety and that of my fellow man?"

"Am I reporting all my injuries and those of my employes to the Dispensary within the prescribed time?"

"Do I know what benefits are in the compensation laws for me? (The safety office has the answers.)"

"Do I know how to use the fire extinguishers throughout the plant? (The fire inspectors will explain the operations.)"

"Do I know the fire rules and regulations?"

The Underwater Ordnance safety committee, which is designed to assist Mr. Campbell and his staff in carrying out the safety program, includes: Mr. Zivic, J. H. Jennison, head of the product engineering division; Dr. J. L. Alford, head of the engineering division; Eugene Osuch, Maybry VanReed, A. J. Tickner, head of the guidance and control division; and L. B. Kelly.

JONES NAMED ON COMMITTEE

E. J. Jones, head, personnel division, was appointed a member of the Qualifications Appraisal Board of the California State Personnel Board by John F. Fisher, executive officer. Mr. Jones sat on the board Thursday and Friday to assist in the examinations for administrative trainees.

Smog Takes Day Off During Annex Visit Of RADM Schindler

It was a smog free Pasadena that greeted Rear Admiral W. G. Schindler, Assistant Chief of Naval Operations, Monday when he made his final inspection before returning to Washington D.C.

Here to get a first hand account from management and project engineers on the weapon development and facilities of the Underwater Ordnance Department, RADM Schindler was asked if he had any comments to make.

"Just say I didn't find any smog in Pasadena," the admiral said.

The visit of CDR K. M. Tebo, head of Re6 in the Bureau of Ordnance coincided with that of Admiral Schindler.

After a brief welcome address from CDR W. T. Groner, USN, OinC, W. M. MacKay, acting head of the Underwater Ordnance Department, gave a resume of the technical program. The weapons projects were described by Ted Gautschi and Leonard Frienkel.

Gerald Mosteller, Milton Blatt and Jack Anderson conducted the tour of Morris Dam and the Foothill plant where the visitors were shown the various facilities used in the ordnance program.

Wheeler To Discuss Torpedo Accessories

C. C. Wheeler, head, weapons accessories branch of the Underwater Ordnance Department will speak on Torpedo Accessories at a meeting in the Thompson Lab auditorium at 10:30 a.m. on Nov. 3, Dr. Russ Neilson, program chairman announced.

Mr. Wheeler recently returned from England where he attended the standardization conferences for aircraft accessories. His lecture before professional personnel will be devoted to NOTS work on suspension bands, parachutes, and connectors. The talk will be illustrated with motion pictures, a display of hardware, and some demonstrations.

SPORTS

Burroughs Bees Drop 21-0 Tilt To Barstow Eleven

The Barstow B team made it a clean sweep of Burroughs last week-end by beating the Burroughs B team, 21-0, on Saturday.

Barstow scored a touchdown in every quarter except the first and added a safety in the final period for the victory.

After trailing by only 7 points at the half, the Burros line fell apart following the intermission and allowed the Barstow single-wing attack to penetrate to the goal line two times.

The Riffians also got two more points by dropping a Burros half-back in the end zone for a safety.

The Burros put together several good drives and found themselves in Barstow territory quite often in the last half, but couldn't push for the necessary yardage when a touchdown was not far away.

The next game for the local lightweight eleven will be this afternoon at 3 at Mojave.

'Drag Strip' Set At Inyokern Airport

Members of the Dust Devils Auto Club announced this week that the group has obtained a lease on the county airport property in Inyokern for the purpose of opening a "drag strip." This has been one of the major projects of the organization for the past two years.

Plans call for the strip to open Sunday, with the racing events scheduled for the third Sunday of each month thereafter. Admission will be 50 cents per person for everyone over 12 years of age.

Qualification runs for the monthly events will be held at 10 a.m. on the day of the races, with the main events scheduled to start at 2 p.m.

Booster Club Opens Membership Drive

A membership drive, with a goal of 300 members, is currently being conducted by the Burroughs Booster Club, according to Ed Wilkes, club president. To date, approximately 45 new members have been signed up. A yearly fee of \$1 is charged for membership.

Two major projects of the club, a scoreboard and new flood lights for Kelly field, have been completed. Installation of the new lights has resulted in a lighting increase of approximately 15 per cent. The group is also assisting in the drive to raise funds for new band uniforms and choir robes.

Singles Tourney Opens Tomorrow At Tennis Courts

The China Lake Tennis Club men's and women's singles tennis tourney will be held tomorrow and Sunday at the China Lake tennis courts. Approximately 30 men and women are expected to participate.

The tourney is open to anyone. An entry fee of 50 cents for members and \$1.50 for non-members will be charged.

Entries close tonight at 7 and drawings will be posted at 9:30 tomorrow morning with the first round beginning at 10.

A perpetual trophy will be awarded to winners of both men and women's matches.

Colt Gridders Win Two From Boron

The Colts lightweight and heavyweight touch football teams defeated Boron on Oct. 13 at Kelly field, 19-6, and 26-6, respectively.

Larry Hancock pitched two touchdown passes to lead the lightweights to victory. Hancock tossed 5 yards to Ronnie Warden and 20 yards to Robert LaRosa for two tallies, while Ronnie Marsher scooted 60 yards for the third score.

In the heavyweight game, Gary Miller returned two kickoffs, both 60 yards for two tallies to lead the heavyweights' scoring. Ben Sturgeon threw two passes, one to Claude Friscovich from 3 yards out, and to Gary Maxwell which covered 5 yards for the other Colt points.

Tennis Exhibition Planned Oct. 31

Two top ranking Southern California tennis players will visit China Lake on Sunday, Oct. 31, to conduct a tennis clinic for all interested persons at the Station tennis courts.

George Druliner of Los Angeles and Glen Bassett of Santa Monica will offer instruction in the various tennis fundamentals, and also will stage an exhibition match.

Arrangements for the visit are being made by LT R. J. Orrock, head of the recreation division, assisted by Mrs. Ruth Williams.

PENDLETON HEADS SKI CLUB

Hugh Pendleton, a sixth grade instructor at the Groves Street Elementary School, recently was elected president of the China Lake Ski Club, succeeding Bob Grasley. Other new club officers are Rod Weldon, first vice-president; Neil Krenzel, second vice-president; Mary Tischler, secretary, and Mel Creusere, treasurer.



INTO THE END ZONE goes Harry Smith, No. 19, Burroughs right half, for the Green and White's only score in last week's varsity encounter with Barstow. The Riffians manhandled the Burros, 45-6. Tonight at Kelly field the locals will tangle with the Bishop Broncos in another Desert-Inyo League tilt.

Victory-Starved Burros Await Visit By Bishop Tonight at Kelly Field

Hoping to get back on the victory trail after losing two straight Desert-Inyo League contests, the Burroughs High School varsity eleven will host the Bishop Broncos tonight at Kelly field. Kick off time will be 8 p.m.

Comparative scores give the edge in tonight's contest to the visitors from Bishop, who gave a strong Barstow contingent a hard battle, while the Burros were swamped, 45-6, last Friday night by the Riffians.

Barstow fielded two hard-running backs in Toy Owens and Dan Beard, and a sharp-shooting passer in Richard Ruiz, who combined their talents to lead the Riffians to their lopsided victory.

Owens scored three times, Beard twice and Ruiz tallied once himself and passed to Gerald Lake, right end, for another TD. Ruiz also made good on three out of seven extra point attempts.

Long runs or pass plays accounted for or set up six of the seven touchdowns scored by Barstow, as the visitors put together only one sustained scoring drive. Burroughs held an edge in first downs, seven to six. Barstow rolled up a 26-0 halftime lead as Owens romped 83 yards on an end run and went 73 yards on a punt return to lead the attack. Touchdowns by Ruiz and Lake added to the first half total.

Vernon Wiley, Burros fullback, ran the second half kick-off back to the Barstow 35 to get the locals off to a flying start as action resumed, but a fumble on the 21 gave the ball to Barstow.

The Riffians returned the favor moments later, however, when a fourth down pass from center was bobbled and Burroughs recovered on the Barstow 10. Harry Smith bolted through the line to paydirt on the first play from scrimmage after the recovery, and Burroughs had its only score of the evening.

The visitors from Barstow resumed control of the game, scoring on the first play following the kick-off on a pass from Ruiz to Owens that was good for a gain of 58 yards, and increased their lead to 33-6.

A long pass from Ruiz to Lake was good for a 40-yard gain, setting up Barstow's sixth touchdown which was scored by Ruiz in the third quarter, and in the final period Beard returned a punt 55 yards for the last score of the game.

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Brinser To Leave, Will Command Destroyer Shea

Command of the destroyer-mine layer USS Shea (DM 30) will be the next duty for CDR Harry Brinser, USN, who came to the Station in 1952 and has served as acting head of Command Administration Department and as security officer.

He will leave next Wednesday for Long Beach where he will take over the Shea. Mrs. Brinser and their two children, Mary Meylert, 13, and Harry Bulkley, 8, will reside in Long Beach.

CDR Brinser is a native of Washington, D.C., and was graduated from the U. S. Naval Academy in 1941. He attended Purdue University in 1947 and 1948. His father was the late Admiral Brinser, USN.

Entering service as an ensign in 1941, he served on the USS Milwaukee in the South Atlantic; on the USS Denver through the south-central Pacific engagements from October 1942 to June 1945; attended the Naval Academy postgraduate school 1945-1947, taking the ordnance engineering course; attended Purdue University and received an MS degree in industrial engineering; served on the USS Spokane in Atlantic and European areas; on the USS Sumner (DD 692); and then came to the Station.

Religious Survey Set Next Week

A religious survey of Desert Park, Wherry housing project, will start Sunday and continue through Saturday, Oct. 30. This project is a united effort of all churches and religious faiths in the area.

Chaplain James L. Carter, CHC, USN, has been named chairman of the survey. The purpose, according to Chaplain Carter, is to ascertain the religious affiliation of all families in Desert Park.

Following the survey, the results will be distributed to the various churches in accordance with the denominational preferences stated.

Phone List Cards Due on Monday

The deadline for receipt of alphabetical listing cards which were distributed this week is next Monday, according to the Command Administration Department. Such cards will be used in compiling the new Station telephone directory.

New employees who did not receive cards through their organization, or employees wanting to submit revised cards, should get these from supervisors, time clerks, department offices, the telephone office or at the Community Manager's office.

These cards should be completed and returned as soon as possible to the department collection point, then forwarded to the editorial branch, Code 7511.

OpNav Official Visits Station



REAR ADMIRAL W. G. SCHINDLER, USN, right, Assistant Chief of Naval Operations (fleet operations and readiness), is informally briefed on Station activities by Dr. W. B. McLean, left, Station Technical Director, and Captain R. F. Sellars, USN, acting Station Commander, during his visit last Friday to China Lake. Admiral Schindler also spent Monday at the Pasadena Annex obtaining information on the Underwater Ordnance Department program.

Desert Empire Fair a Success . . .

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First place in the high school band division went to Trona High School, with Desert High School of Edwards placing second and the Burroughs High School band, third.

In the commercial division, first place honors went to the Willie James' Chicken Shack entry, while Randsburg took first place for its float in the community division. In the miscellaneous division, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cornelius rated first with their entry depicting a pioneer family in a pony drawn cart.

Bob Hughes Jr. was judged the best in the parade division set aside for Indian groups and singles, while first place in the majorettes' competition was won by the Indianettes of the James Monroe Elementary School of Ridgecrest.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Waters of Bakersfield, riding matched palominos, won first place prize for mounted couples, and Larry Gill of Inyokern received the trophy for mounted single riders. The Valley Riders took first place in the division for riding groups, and a special award was given to the Kern County Sheriff's Posse.

Prizes Awarded

The parade prizes were awarded by Dr. Larry Stevens, chairman of the event, and Robert Smith, general chairman of the Desert Empire Fair, on Saturday afternoon at the fairgrounds.

In other contests held during the three-day celebration, Bill Rice won the whiskerino event, with second and third place honors going to Bud Messenger and Lloyd Phillips, respectively, and a turtle named Lib-erace, owned by Josephine Napolis of Randsburg, won the desert tortoise

race over a field of 35 entries.

Costume contest winners were Bonnie Jean Anderson, first, and Catherine and Marilyn Cornelius, who tied for second, in the children's division. Kay Thoms, Agnes Ambrose, Gladys Merrick and Eleanor Koolen all tied for first place in the old-fashioned division for adults.

Winners in the western costume contest for women were Laura Powell, Betty Albers and Yvonne Anthony, while Arthur Fields, Larry Lawrence and Smokey Leake placed one, two, three in the men's division.

Hobby Show

Prize winners in the various divisions of the hobby show were as follows:

Flat ceramics—Jessie Waters, 1st; Marge Cosby, 2nd, and Leora Fox, 3rd; photographs — Gaylen Hatton, 1st.

Rug-making—Eva Olson, 1st and 3rd places; Iva Carr, 2nd; **miscellaneous crafts**—Lorraine McClung, 1st and 3rd places, M. A. Fairfull, 2nd; **knitting**—Marie Davidson, 1st; **crocheting**—Eva Olson, 1st; Mrs. Floyd Wegley, 2nd; Marie Davidson, 3rd; **embroidery**—Bamma Wright, 1st and 2nd, Martha Robb, 3rd; **miscellaneous needlework**—Ruth Garner, 1st and 2nd.

Oil paintings—Edward Hammerberg, 1st; Lorraine McClung, 2nd, Dale Fairbanks, 3rd; **watercolors**—Lorraine McClung, 1st; **miscellaneous art**—M. A. Fairfull, 1st.

Prizes for model-building entries went to George Pruitt in the commercial division, and Jay Elliott for his hand-made entry.

The grand fair prize, a Corvette automobile, was won by Robert J. Conte of Trona.

Safety Award . . .

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Captain Sellars thanked Admiral Whitney and accepted the award on behalf of Captain D. B. Young, USN, Station Commander, who is now at Bethesda Naval Hospital, Md., and military personnel and civilians who have won the award by their observance of safety practices.

In 1953, according to the Station safety division, Station vehicles covered nearly 7,500,000 miles with only 64 traffic accidents for an average of 116,962 miles per accident. In 1952, vehicles covered 115,000 miles per accident. In 1951, vehicles covered nearly 8,000,000 miles with 72 accidents for an average of 107,894 miles per accident.

Among the more than 100 persons present to witness the presentation were military and civilian heads of departments, associate heads and safety officials.

DEFENSE OFFICIALS EXPECTED

Two civilian officials of the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense will visit the Station next Wednesday to see developments in weapons and facilities. They are G. A. Tucker and S. S. Podos, Director and Assistant Director, respectively, of Ordnance and Transport Equipment (Applications Engineering).

BIRTHS

Boys

Holton—Edward Henry, 5 lbs., 8 oz., Oct. 13, at the Ridgecrest Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. James H. Holton, 334 Upjohn, Ridgecrest.

Scroggins—Dale Edward, 8 lbs., 13 oz., Oct. 4, at the Ridgecrest Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Jessie C. Scroggins, 1203 Bowman, Ridgecrest.

Shepard—Daniel Lee, 8 lbs., 5½ oz., Oct. 12, at the Ridgecrest Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Francis Shepard, 410-C McIntire.

Girls

Brown—Cynthia Gail, 7 lbs., 2 oz., Oct. 15, at the Infirmary to QM1 and Mrs. Myron Brown, 208-B Langley.

Brown—Kathleen Louise, 7 lbs., 13 oz., Oct. 4, at the Ridgecrest Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Brown, 102 Arondo.

Graham—Dawn Leslie, 7 lbs., 3 ozs., Oct. 13, at the Infirmary to SN and Mrs. Jimmie L. Graham, 648-A Prefab.

Hunter — Tomi-Lynn, 7 lbs., 5 oz., Sept. 27, at the Ridgecrest Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Marvin A. Hunter, 55-B Card.

Killen—Carla Ann, 7 lbs., 6 oz., Oct. 15, at the Infirmary to AN and Mrs. Melburn K. Killen, 401-B Tyler.

Kingston—Linda Jeanne, 7 lbs., 1½ ozs., Oct. 18, at the Infirmary to AD3 and Mrs. Russell M. Kingston, 228 Robalo.

Seaholm—Sally Lorraine, 8 lbs., 4 oz., Oct. 8, at the Ridgecrest Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Martin A. Seaholm Jr., 209-B Kitts.