

The Distaff Side

The DISTAFF SIDE Salutes NATIONAL BUSINESS WOMEN'S WEEK

This feature column is devoted to giving recognition to working women at NOTS. However, this week, instead of singling out one outstanding personality the subject will deal with facts concerning working women throughout the nation.

Once a year, America sets aside one week to honor 21 million working women engaged in more than 700 different businesses and professions.

Statistics reveal that if women stopped working, schools would lose 75% of their teachers; stores, 75% of their help; communications, 95% of its telephone operators—and industry would lose 3 million workers in professional, technical and managerial posts.

A major factor is that government job classification standards are written for qualified personnel, regardless of sex.

The world of science is no longer exclusively a man's world. Women are making contributions in medicine, astronomy, chemistry and physics with an ever-growing army of young women dedicated to the pursuit of science and its application to a peaceful world.

Working wives now outnumber bachelor girls with jobs more than two to one.

A new mood has appeared. Women work because they want to. Education, now universal, gives many women a vocational urge that homemaking alone cannot satisfy.

Most significant, perhaps, is the hunger for appearances of a good

Safety Official Lists Offenses Of Traffic Laws

By Arden Hanes Traffic Investigator

On the first day of school, we expect our youngsters to observe all the traffic safety rules. Many of us parents personally escorted them to school to ensure their safety.

An observer noted the following hazards created unintentionally by adults during the first two days of school:

Some double-parked, even triple-parked, and left the car unoccupied while they walked the children into the school.

Others parked in such a way that they were compelled to back out into a 3-way intersection between two sets of yellow crosswalks.

Some motorists who appeared to be late returning to work after lunch were estimated to be driving 30 mph in the 15 mph school zone.

Numerous parents, unable to park on the school side of the street, carefully led the children diagonally across intersections, completely ignored the crosswalks.

Then there was one parent who let out his child on the opposite side of the street and yelled: "Go on, you have the right-of-way!"

In contrast, I would like to give credit to the dad who walked his little daughter down the left hand side of the street, facing traffic, explaining as they did so why they did it; what the wide, yellow lines were where children can cross the street without getting hurt; and how to look in all directions before starting across to make doubly sure no cars were coming.

life that multiple incomes bring. As a result, these increased family incomes have affected broad sections of the U. S. economy.

Since WWII, women have been put in jobs because of need, only to find later that their special characteristics make them better suited to the task than men.

"I remember walking up to Highway 6 to catch the Reno-Los Angeles bus when I had a rare week end off, that was before there was the present paved road from Inyokern.

When questioned on what he likes about NOTS, Cummins says, "I like the friendly, cooperative people on the Station. I think one of the reasons why the people are so friendly at NOTS is that the people who are here, we have people who are happy with their work and the desert. As for myself I hope to retire here at the foot of these mountains."



"IT'S A LARGE DISTRICT" — Dr. Earl Murray, right, tells eight instructors new to the Kern County Union High School and Junior College District who will complete the instructional staff of 39 at Burroughs High School this year.

Burroughs Adds Ten Teachers In Completing Faculty of 39

Nine teachers new to the Kern County Union High School and Junior College District and a former instructor in the local Adult Education Program assumed teaching duties at Burroughs High School as school reconvened for the fall semester.

Employed as a teacher of freshman English and social studies is Frank J. Grober who has been an instructor for the past six years with the local Apprentice School which is offered through the Bakersfield College.

Mrs. Lucretia L. Becker, graduate of Colorado Agriculture and Mining College will be employed part time as instructor in home-making.

Employed as instructor in woodshop and metalshop is Leo A. Murphy who received his Bachelor of Arts Degree at Colorado Agricultural and Mining College and his Master's Degree at the University of Colorado.

New instructor of sophomore level English and social studies is Miss Diane Regez who is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin and lists teaching experience in the high school at Jamesville, Wisconsin.

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American Cancer Society's Vital Program Sustained Locally by United Fund Money

(EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the sixth in a series of articles telling of the agencies that comprise the Indian Wells Valley United Fund in which NOTS takes part once each year.

The American Cancer Society, Kern county branch, is one of the affiliated agencies of the Indian Wells Valley United Fund. The branch is headed by Claire Schaefer of Bakersfield who acts as executive secretary.

Funds for research, handled on a national level and in which local branches participate, go to medical colleges and public or private medical research centers in an all-out effort to whip cancer.

Funds designated for educational purposes are used to keep the layman advised on cancer detection. Agency programs are set up all over the nation to keep John Q. Public advised of the progress being made by the society.

The mass mailings of the cancer society teach millions every year the seven danger signs of cancer, which, for the immediate benefit of all readers, are listed as follows:

- Any sore that does not heal
A lump or thickening of the breast or elsewhere
Any change in a wart or mole
Persistent indigestion or difficulty in swallowing
Persistent hoarseness or cough
Any change in normal bowel habits

The cancer society continually stresses the fact that early detection of cancer by annual medical examination is still the most effective measure in control and cure of the disease.

The work of the American Cancer Society is supported wholly by contributions from the public. Indian Wells Valley has its full share of residents suffering from cancer.

If you wish, you may alleviate the local cancer situation with a donation to Cancer in the forthcoming United Fund drive.



EDITOR TAKES RIDE—Bill Gharrity (left), county editor of the Bakersfield Californian and LCDR. Dickson Alderton (NAF) prepare to "take off" in a Douglas F3D Skybolt.

Hatch Act Outline Reveals Original Purpose of Law

Federal employees who are a part of the Government's career civil service are protected by law from efforts to force them to render political service or tribute.

The Hatch Act, passed in 1939, goes further than the Civil Service Act. It provides in general that Federal employees cannot render political service—that is, take an active part in political campaigns—even if they are willing to do so.

Basically both these laws have the effect of insulating the Federal career employee against the effect of political considerations that might damage his job tenure.

The Civil Service Commission has issued a brief, advises that the law permits the expression of opinion on political subjects but prohibits active participation in a campaign.

According to the Commission, the regulations apply to all employees, career or excepted, and to those in a part time or temporary status as well as those with permanent classification.

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May make voluntary campaign contributions to duly constituted political organizations.

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May not be a candidate for a partisan national or state office.

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Gen. Holtoner Letter Thanks Mrs. Chatterton

A letter of appreciation from Brigadier General J. S. Holtoner, USAF, Commander of the Air Force Flight Test Center at Edwards Air Force Base has been received by Captain F. L. Ashworth commending Mrs. Chatterton, Red Cross water safety chairman for Indian Wells Valley.

Contents of Brigadier General Holtoner's letter are as follows: "On five different occasions last spring, Mrs. Carol Chatterton, a volunteer Red Cross worker at the Naval Ordnance Test Station, made five trips from China Lake to Mojave in order to qualify Mojave and Edwards Air Force Base swimming instructors for the summer 1956 swimming season.

Mrs. Chatterton's efforts in this program are greatly appreciated by the personnel of the personnel of the Air Force Flight Test Center."



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Track Symposium Begins Next Week

The Third National Supersonic Track Symposium will be held at NOTS on September 24, 25, 26 and 27. Previously the Symposium has been held at Holloman Air Development Center, White Sands, New Mexico and Edwards Air Force Base at Edwards, California.

Registration will begin at 1 p.m. next Monday in BOQ-A and continue through that day until 8 p.m. On Tuesday morning registrations will continue at BOQ-A from 8 to 9 a.m.

Chairmen of the various sessions of the Symposium will come from NOTS, Holloman Test Center, North American Aviation Company, Stanford Research Institute, Lockheed Aircraft Company, Ramo-Woodbridge Corporation, Boeing Airplane Company, R. I. Anderson Electronic Engineering Company, Aerojet-General Corporation, Aircraft Armaments, Incorporated, Douglas Aircraft Corporation, Coleman Engineering Company and other companies whose names were not available at press time.

Coordinating the Symposium program is the supersonic track division of the test department and the technical information department. The security division of command administration department is handling security clearances and passes for off-Station personnel.

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NEW AIR WEAPONS DIVISION ADMINISTRATORS—The former special weapons division and air weapons division of rocket development department merge to form the new air weapons division. Some of the new administrators of the division pictured above seated (l. to r.) are: LCDR. M. H. Holt, assistant experimental officer; F. M. Fulton, head, air weapons division; and J. Peterson, head, rocket weapons branch.

'Slim' Cummins Remembers When

"When I arrived at Inyokern July 18, 1944, the sand, greasewood and primitive living conditions never phased me," says V. A. (Slim) Cummins, security police detective.

Cummins recalls that he reported to the employment office the next morning after his arrival. The interviewer took one look at his 6 foot 4 inch frame (then 185 pounds) and said, "Slim, how would you like a job with the security police?"

Slim was assigned a patrol with the deputy sheriff in Inyokern. On their patrol was a tent area where many Indians were quartered.

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SPARKY SAYS DON'T BE CARELESS WITH CIGARETTES! DON'T GIVE FIRE A PLACE TO START

Careless Smoking Creates Hazard

The 11ND recorded 824 fires caused by the careless smoker for a total loss of \$41,137.94 for fiscal 1955-56.

Seventeen fires and a total loss of \$3,951.00 was credited to the Careless Smoker at China Lake, and 65% of that loss was personnel loss of China Lake residents according to Fire Chief, A. C. Wright.

Careless smoking not only causes many thousands of dollars fire loss but contributes directly to the loss of many lives. A slow smoldering fire caused by a carelessly handled cigarette often creates carbon monoxide gas (CO) which has a definite sleep producing effect and will cause unconsciousness; that may result in serious burns and often death by suffocation to the offender.

Cigarettes are generally used by the majority and it is natural to presume that they will be most prominent in fire records for years to come.

Never smoke in bed. Have ashtrays available for your cigarette. If the fire from your cigarette is accidentally knocked off your cigarette be sure you know where it landed, and be sure it is extinguished. Don't just think it is cold, be sure.

Commissary Store Closes for Inventory

The commissary store will be closed for inventory beginning at noon next Tuesday and will remain closed until 10 a.m. Thursday Sept. 27.



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**Revised Plane, Bus Schedule**

The Southwest Airways plane and bus schedule from Inyokern to Burbank has been revised to become effective Monday, Oct. 1. Major change in the new schedule will be the use of the Los Angeles International Airport instead of the Burbank Lockheed field.

Reasons for the change are as follows: The Los Angeles airport is more centrally located to activities visited by most NOTS personnel going to the Los Angeles area and connections with cross-country flights most commonly used will be simplified. The new schedule follows:

**China Lake**  
Airport Shuttlebus and Plane Schedule

A shuttlebus will meet the plane at Harvey Field, Inyokern upon its arrival from International Airport and carry passengers to China Lake.

Leaving China Lake, shuttlebus stops for picking up passengers will be made as follows:

Airport Shuttlebus Schedule				Plane Schedule			
China Lake to Harvey Field—a.m.	Club	Adm.	Mich.	Internat'l to Inyokern—a.m.	Lv. International	Ar. Harvey Field	Ar. Harvey Field
Lv. C.O.M. Bldg. 7:16	7:21	7:26		Lv. International	7:15	8:07	8:11
Ar. Harvey Field 7:52				Lv. Harvey Field	8:11		9:03
China Lake to Harvey Field—p.m.				Internat'l to Inyokern—p.m.			
Lv. Club	Adm.	Mich.	C.O.M. Bldg.	Lv. International	Ar. Harvey Field	Ar. Harvey Field	Ar. International
Lv. 5:47	5:52	5:57		Lv. International	5:45	6:37	6:42
Ar. Harvey Field 6:22				Lv. Harvey Field	6:42		7:34

For information call travel branch, Ext. 71378.

**Pasadena**

Foothill to International—a.m.		Foothill to Internat'l—p.m.	
Lv. Foothill	5:50	Lv. Foothill	4:15
Ar. International	7:35	Ar. International	5:30
Lv. International	9:10	Lv. International	7:43
Ar. Foothill	10:30	Ar. Foothill	8:55

**Club To Accent Scientific Fields**

New officers were named and preliminary planning begun on a year's program which will highlight the various fields of science when the Burroughs High School Science Club held its organizational meeting this week.

Named as president was Susan Smith who will be assisted by Florence Childers, vice-president; Bobette Deem, secretary, and Linda Dial, treasurer. Faculty advisor of the group is John A. Donnan, science instructor.

Focal points of the club's calendar will be participation in a science open house to be held at the high school in January and help with the Elementary Science Fair scheduled for February. Each club member will enter projects in the planned displays.

Completing the activity calendar will be scientific field trips and participation in school projects. Educational highlights will include guest lecturers in the scientific fields, reviews of scientific books and movies and work on various science projects.

**Chaplain's Corner**

By Chaplain James L. Carter, USN

No man lives unto himself. We are all dependent upon each other. Selfish persons delude themselves into thinking that they are self-sufficient, and dependent upon no one, but we could not survive very long without helping each other.

The present Antarctic expedition reminds us of the trip which Admiral Byrd took several years ago. He spent several weeks in a small shack near the south pole completely alone. Single handed, he prepared his meals, cleaned the cabin, tended the weather instruments, and gathered valuable scientific information on the Antarctic. We would be tempted to suppose that he was self-sufficient—but he was not. He needed others to take him to his post, and to keep in touch with him by radio. He was dependent upon the farmers who raised his food, and upon the scientists who made his instruments. When he became dangerously ill, his men brought him medical aid.

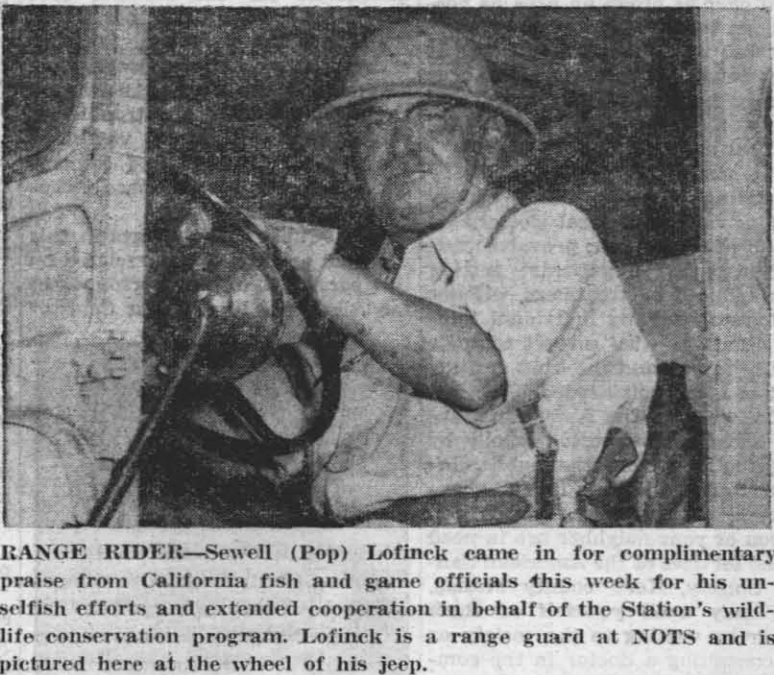
It is foolish to suppose that we are other than dependent upon each other and dependent upon God. For it is in Him that we live, and move, and have our being.



**TRAPPING THE GALLINACIOUS**—California fish and game department officials Harold Harper (left) and Harry George (in trap) remove chukars from trap pen on one of the ranges here at NOTS. Approximately five percent of the birds here are transported annually to adjacent areas for the purpose of building a greater wild-bird conservation program in California.



**BANDING THE CHUKAR**—Harold Harper (left) records on a California fish and game tally sheet the record of a chukar hatched and raised on NOTS ranges. Harry George (right) bands the chukar giving the bird an identification that can be checked at a later date for migratory purposes. The bird will be transplanted in another part of the State and will soon be raising a family of its own. The program is designed to bolster the California wildlife conservation effort.



**RANGE RIDER**—Sewell (Pop) Lofinck came in for complimentary praise from California fish and game officials this week for his unselfish efforts and extended cooperation in behalf of the Station's wildlife conservation program. Lofinck is a range guard at NOTS and is pictured here at the wheel of his jeep.

**Coming and Going**

**New Employees:**  
Technical information—Esta F. Schroeder, Marceline L. Wakkuk, Arvid F. Matthews.  
Research—Frances J. Olmstead, Deana R. Roth.  
Central staff—Alta I. Sumpter, Gloria A. Coburn, Minnie L. Morgan, Harriet D. Bird.  
Aviation ordnance—Gale V. Pingel, Louis W. Broussard Jr., Elaine V. Nowak, Gerard A. Pottebaum, Francis B. Shaffer.  
Propellants & explosives—Edmund J. Regan.  
Personnel—Dick W. Hays.  
Test—David F. Keyes.  
Rocket development—Hiram E. Moore.  
Engineering—Paul Alexander Jr.  
Public works—Annalee Buntin, Glenn P. Patterson, Curtis S. Hutchens.  
Terminations:  
Community affairs—Mary P. McClatchey, Ada G. Barton.  
Test—Berkley R. Jackson, Alan E. Ternstrom, Frank T. Kirk, Robert E. Rockwell Jr., John R. Smart, Gilbert C. Barton, Joy M. Nelson.  
Propellants & explosives—Donald B. Elliott, John E. Baldwin, Maurice A. Nygaard, Frank H. Conrad, John R. Lienhard, William F. Thorn, Billy M. Laman.  
Public works—Zygmunt Zydak.  
Technical information—Marion Strong, Pamela Jacobson.  
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Engineering—William L. Brooks, Richard F. Stevens, Edward R. Tarver, James K. Jackson, Russell F. Bushnell.  
Research—Louis Gordon, Robert Milam, Kilburn MacMurray, Douglas W. Waugh.  
Supply—Kenneth W. Childs.  
Rocket development—Richard M. Rowe, Robert J. Rechter, Harvey S. Stone, Edouard E. Lafleur, Richard Lindsey.  
Aviation ordnance—Glen A. Weidlich, Verne P. Wheeler, Eldon K. Sparrow, Judith A. Devalon, Charles L. Perry, H. Willingham Graben, G. Max Harris, Frederick J. Koperski, Blake G. Caruthers, Dennis K. Burge, Daniel B. Ray, WAE pool—Elsie Santangelo.

**State Officials Praise NOTS For Assistance**

NOTS received high praise this week from California fish and game department officials for the part it has been playing in the State's wildlife conservation program. In a letter to the ROCKETEER editor, Harold Harper, who is State fish and game manager in this area, wrote his appreciation for the Station's cooperation in the wild-bird field.

**Cooperation**  
For three consecutive years NOTS has authorized the State fish and game department to harvest chukar from its ranges. The birds were trapped here and transported to nearby hunting areas for the benefit of area sportsmen. No hunting is allowed on the Station in an effort to aid the national and state wildlife conservation program. Captain George Carrithers, chairman of the local wildlife conservation council, announced that an average of 450 chukar have been trapped here per year during the past three years.

Game manager Harper reports that the chukar in this area was originally planted by the State fish and game department in 1933 and were brought here from India. NOTS has proven to be an ideal area for the birds and survival of the specie here has been almost 100 percent. The chukar is a member of the gallinaceous (ground dwelling) bird family, according to Harper.

**Appreciation**  
In the letter of appreciation Harper wrote, "Our special appreciation is extended to the Station's wildlife conservation council and the other NOTS officials for their splendid cooperation and interest in the wildlife program of the department of fish and game."

"Also our specific thanks to Commander Edward Horne for his help and assistance throughout our period of activity at NOTS and to Sewell (Pop) Lofinck for taking us under his wing" during our weekend visits. The security division was most cooperative in assisting us with obtaining clearance and passes.

**Thanks ROCKETEER**  
"Thanks to you and your staff for the keen interest shown while observing our activities. It is not too often that people show such understanding of our program. Most of the inquiries of our work are those of persons wanting to know 'where can I shoot something or catch a fish.'"

NOTS recently implemented its conservation program when Station Commander Captain F. L. Ashworth appointed a wildlife conservation council consisting of Captain Carrithers, Commander E. V. Horne, Lt. Col. H. V. Joslin and Lofinck. The purpose of the council is to assist and make recommendations in carrying out BuOrd policy which embraces a wildlife conservation effort under the guidance of the U.S. Department of the Interior.

**Suggestions Welcome**  
The council welcomes cooperation from desert sportsmen in executing its mission. Suggestions should be addressed to Captain G. H. Carrithers, wildlife conservation council chairman, code 70, USNOTS, China Lake, California.

**Job Opportunities**

Head, technical information department contract and liaison office (Pasadena), GS-11. Duties include plan, negotiate and supervise contract operations in the field of technical report writing, illustration and publications including technical displays and presentations. Edit technical reports. Carry out administrative and liaison duties. Call extension 72766 or 72767 at China Lake.

Clerk stenographer or clerk typist, part-time position (2 hours per day). Secretary to the Community Council. Duties include public relations, typing, filing and management of council office. For further information call extensions 71577 or 71514.



**CAREER HIGHLIGHTS**—Charles E. Burns Jr., FTG, (left) guidance radar supervisor for fire control systems department of GMU-25 receives his appointment as permanent CPO. Sela A. Blaisdell, GSL, (right) guided missileman supervisor for TERRIER missile operations in GMU-25 reennlist for another six years. Both are veterans with 12 and 11 years service, respectively.

**What's Doing IN RECREATION**

By Helen Michel, recreation director

The third monthly dance for all adults residing on the Station will be held tomorrow night at the Community Center. Bunny Botkin's Orchestra, which has just finished an engagement at the Beverly Hilton Hotel, will provide

ing with fellow members, participation in regularly scheduled matches with outside tennis clubs such as Bakersfield, San Bernardino and Santa Monica, participation in local tournaments, annual spring and fall tournaments, teaching tennis, receiving instructions on the game of tennis from better players in the club and scheduled exhibitions or clinics by national tennis stars and social events.

Membership is open to all residents of China Lake and employed families living in the surrounding area. Those interested in tennis should contact Leo Lapin, president, at Ext. 77604 or Jerry Whitnack, Ext. 73094.

**SHOWBOAT**

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

**TODAY**  
"HALLS OF MOZTEZUMA" (103 Min.)  
Richard Widmark, Robert Wagner  
The fighting Marines hit the beach in Korea and this epic of Gung Ho battling faithfully captures the character of combat personnel.  
SHORTS: "Trailblazer Manoo" (7 Min.)  
"Ten Pin Wizards" (10 Min.)

**SEPT. 21**  
"GODZILLA-KING OF THE MONSTERS" (81 Min.)  
Raymond Burr, Japanese Cast  
Another monster on the loose, more horrible in destruction than ever, Godzilla, of prehistoric resurrection, stalks into Tokyo Bay. Good for science fiction and horror fans.  
SHORTS: "Yankee Doodle" (7 Min.)  
"East Is East" (20 Min.)

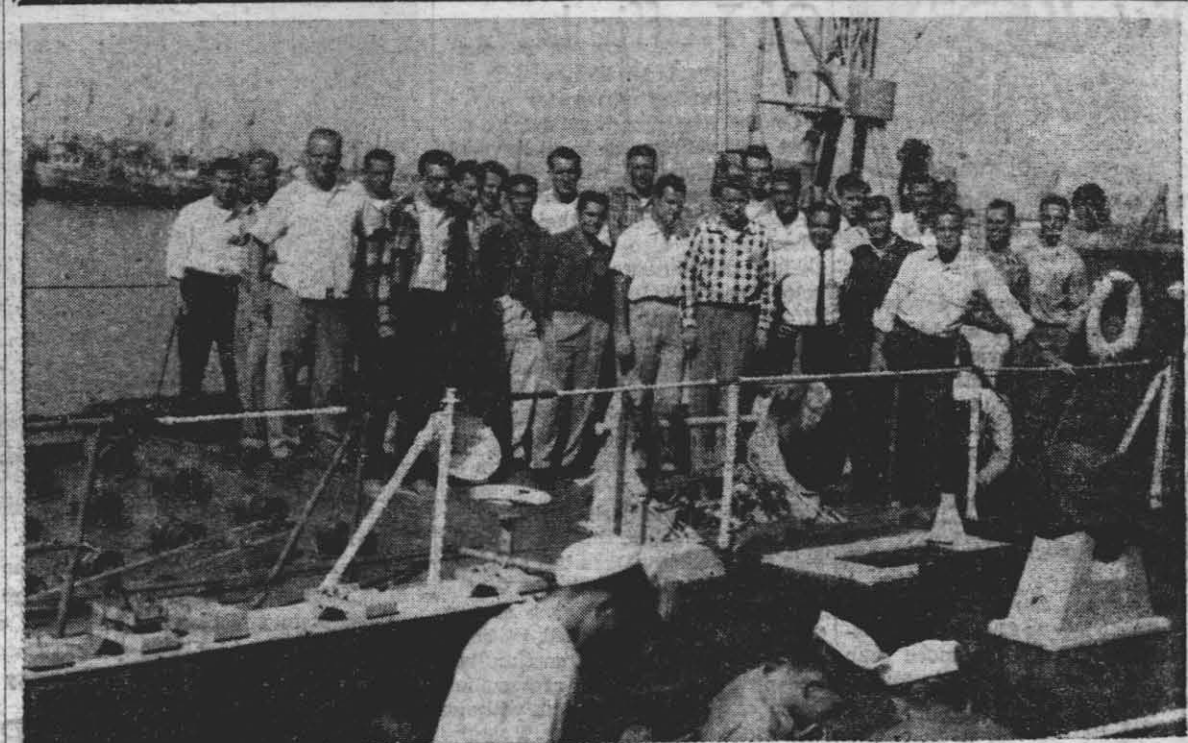
**MATINEE**  
"THE IRON GLOVE" (77 Min.)  
Robert Stack  
SHORTS: "Silphorn King" (7 Min.)  
"Mysterious Island" No. 14 (16 Min.)

**SUN.-MON.**  
"SHOWDOWN AT ABILENE" (80 Min.)  
Jack Mahoney, Martha Hyer  
Ex-sheeriff returns home gunshy and finds a peck of trouble brewed since he left. Ruthless cattle baron and a bullwhip foreman start action galore.  
SHORTS: "Deduce You Say" (7 Min.)  
"Bright and Breezy" (15 Min.)

**TUES.-WED.**  
"PRIVATE'S PROGRESS" (99 Min.)  
Dennis Price, Richard Attenborough  
Here is a "sleeper" you shouldn't miss. This poor left-footed, ten-fingered recruit fouls up the whole British Army, flunks OCS, and gets "killed." A slapstick comedy.  
SHORTS: "Visitation Visits Gibraltar" (9 Min.)

**THURS.**  
"GARDEN OF EVIL" (100 Min.)  
Gary Cooper, Susan Hayward  
An ex-sheeriff, a card shark, and a gun-slinger are hired by pretty Susan to rescue her husband, trapped in a mine. Indians and the lure of gold leads loads of trouble.  
SHORTS: "Brave Little Brains" (7 Min.)

**News from Pasadena Annex**



**JUNIOR PROFESSIONALS ON LONG BEACH TOUR**—As a part of the development program, Pasadena's junior professionals tour facilities. At Long Beach they go to sea to observe surface launchings and actual torpedo drops from aircraft. Most of the junior professional group are in their third month of training. These tours prove valuable in orientating the junior professional.

**'Conference Room' In Building 7 To Be Improved**

Funds have been allocated for the improvement of the so-called Building 7 conference room. This area, on the mezzanine floor of Building 7, will be called the Technical Conference Room and Training Classroom. Present plans call for its completion around the first of the year.

The new room will be of wood-frame construction, 46 ft. wide by 50 ft. long. A ceiling will be suspended from the existing steel-roof framing, floor finish will be asphalt tile, ceiling and south wall will be insulated. There will be a projection booth in the east end. Air conditioning will be piped, some sound proofing will be provided, and the appearance of the area will be much improved.

The new room will provide facilities for training classes—proper seating facilities, lighting, heating, and ventilation, film projection equipment, as well as isolation from noise and confusion. It will also be utilized as a conference room for large groups.

**Linguist Larsen, Versatile Guard, Now Translates**

Leif Larsen, Pasadena's multilingual guard, recently received a letter of commendation from C. W. B. McCormick of Dr. Bruce Sage's staff.

At a time when his usual sources were not available and his need for a translation was immediate, Mr. McCormick requested Mr. Larsen to interpret an article in a professional engineering journal from German into English. Mr. Larsen hesitated because of the semi-scientific nature of the article, but undertook the work and did an excellent job of interpreting.

The consultant's office was pleased with the promptness with which the assignment was executed. The final result was clear and understandable, and served its purpose very well.

**Bowling League Can Use Players**

There IS a NOTS bowling league at Pasadena. It sounds a little mixed up, but the fact is that the summer league finished up with the team that had the highest percentage of NOTS personnel as winner.

The winter league started play on September 5 at the Pasadena Bowling Center. Obviously, there is room for more. ANYONE interested in forming a NOTS team in the NOTS 1 league should get in touch with Bernie Pennino at Morris Dam.

**P808 Personnel Commended For Service to ComCruDesPac**

Singled out for special commendation for services rendered recently to ComCruDesPac were Frank White, Cliff Stock, Bill Burlem, and Dale Willhite of RAT development division.

The officer in charge of Pasadena Annex recently received a letter of appreciation for expeditious action from the Commander, Cruiser-Destroyer Force, Pacific Fleet, as follows:

"ComCruDesPac wishes to express his appreciation for the recent service rendered by the OMC NOTS Pasadena in providing 18 exploder mechanisms urgently needed to outfit certain deploying ships of this force. In this instance the normal source was not able to provide exploders for the commitment involved."

Doug Wilcox, head of the underwater ordnance department expressed his pleasure that P808 personnel had risen to the occasion, and Bud Kunz, RAT development division head, added his appreciation to the individuals responsible.

**Advisory Group Established for Component Stock**

Herbert E. Howard has been elected chairman of the new electronic component advisory committee. Other members of the committee are Robert E. Gratton, Clarence Ramstedt, and Richard E. Lovelace.

The committee's function is to serve in a consulting and advisory capacity to the activities using electronic material, and to the supply department in determining the type, quantity, and quality of electronic components to be stocked.

Each committee member will maintain close liaison with members of his particular division in the interest of economy, efficient utilization of material, and liaison with the material division.

**Thetis Bay Open House**

The USS Thetis Bay, the Navy's only helicopter carrier, will hold open house this Saturday and Sunday, September 22 and 23, at the Long Beach Naval Station, now its home port.

LCdr. E. J. Brunson, former Annex security officer, is chief engineering officer of the Thetis Bay.

The ship will be located at Berth 1 at Long Beach.

**New Employees Join Annex Departments**

Personnel joining NOTS Pasadena last week were Annella La Craft, telephone operator, command administration; Bernardine S. Morrison and Aileen M. Albin, typists, supply department; Gloria P. Armitage, clerk-typist, public works; Benjamin L. Thompson, physicist, guidance and control UOD; and George W. Curtis, engineering draftsman, product engineering division, UOD.

**Annex Vacancies**

Electronic Scientist, GS-9. Range project engineer responsible for planning and supervising field tests and the compilation of test data used in developing and evaluating weapons and missiles. Call Betty Butler, Extension 110.