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VX-5 SOFTBALL TEAM—The scrappy VX-5 outfit which recently moved up into fourth place are shown, kneeling (l. to r.) Beeman, Norris, Isebell, Hill, Meeks, Penner, Mitchell (coach), and Clark. Standing are: Boone, Jarrell, Crabtree, Strong, Tichel, Perry and Burson.

Burroughs High School Students Hold Annual Awards Assembly

Top honors and awards to student leaders at Burroughs High School for the academic year 1956-57 were presented at an all-school assembly held at the Station theater last Friday.

Scholarships given included a State Scholarship to Charles Walker, valedictorian of the Class of '57; the local American Association of University Women's award of \$200 to Linda Westfall; two China Lake Educational Association scholarships of \$200 each to Margaret Waldron and Mina Collings; and the Community Women's Club of Indian Wells Valley award to Sharon Pinkerton.

Other awards for excellence in scholarship or in a particular field were the Research Society of America Award to Charles Walker; the Instrument Society Award to Jim Morris; the Repertory Group Award to an outstanding student in art, music or drama to Don Zarzana; and the Rotary Award to a top business education student which went to Jeanette Parker.

Achievement Awards

The Edith Karner Award, given annually to a school organization outstanding in service to school and community, went for the second consecutive year to the Burroughs chapter of the California Scholarship Federation, local sponsor of the student exchange program.

Class Achievement Award Cups, presented the outstanding boy and girl in the three lower classes, went to junior students Patsy Westfall and Weston Hofer, sophomores Bob Roseth and Mary Robinson, and freshman Sally Ellings with no top boy named.

Student Council's award to the most valuable boy went to Jay Carty and to the most valuable girl, Judy Wilson. Babe Ruth Awards for top sportsmanship among seniors were presented Bob Short and Myrna Carter.

The Assembly Award for the best class play was presented to the Junior Class.

Named as "Girl of the Year" in the four classes were Karen Cone, senior; Patsy Westfall, junior; Carolyn Ridpath, sophomore; and Sally Ellings, freshman. Named outstanding senior girl for sportsmanship by fellow members of the Girls Athletic Association was Karen Cone.

Departmental Awards
 Art department awards included presentation of a Gold Key to Joyce Hatton, sweepstakes winner in the Kern County Art Contest and key winner in the Southern California Scholastic Art Contest. Certificate of honor winner was Marilyn Rumpff and blue ribbons winners in the contests were Joyce Hatton, Marilyn Rumpff, Paul Niepp and Nancy Mussler.

Winner of the top music award, the Glen Diggers Memorial, was Don Zarzana. Joyce Hatton received the National Thespian Award for her work in drama.

Prize winners in the annual Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary Essay Contest were Linda Jacobson, first place; Bob Holloway, second; and Alan Robinson, third place winner.

Pilot Plant Nips NAF to Stay on Top VX-5 in Fourth After Beating Clippers

The Pilot Plant softball team came from behind and pushed across a run in the last inning Monday night to nip NAF, 4-3.

It was another fine pitching match between the Station's two top pitchers, Rock LaRocca and Bobby Kochman, with the latter winning out only because of a tighter infield behind him.

With the score tied 3-3 in the last inning, the Pilot Plant pushed across the winning run without getting the ball out of the infield. Leadoff hitter Buddy Deffes drew a walk off LaRocca and shortstop Bill Besse sacrificed perfectly to move him to second while beating out the bunt himself. Lew Radcliff then bunted down the third-base line and beat it out to load the bases. Clean-up man Bob Forster then hit a bouncer right back to the mound but the sliding Deffes beat LaRocca's high throw to the plate to wrap up the ballgame.

Had NAF won, it would have resulted in a three-way tie for first place. With the loss they drop to third and MCGMTU moves into second. The Pilot Plant, strengthened by the addition of Besse, Winsett and Stevenson, continue to hang on to the league lead.

VX-5 in Fourth
 Tuesday night, VX-5 moved into fourth place by walloping the Clippers, 22-7. The two teams had been tied for the fourth slot.

Clark was the winning pitcher, bringing his record to 6 wins and 2 losses for the season. Back on April 29, he pitched a perfect game against the Engineers. No one reached first base.

Fielding what is probably the flashiest looking ball club in the league, Coach Don "Mitch" Mitchell also patrols shortstop in very fine fashion while leading the team at the plate with a .560 average. "Mitch" has also belted five homers, but he takes a back seat in this category to smooth-working first baseman Tom Meeks, who has powdered half-a-dozen.

The left-handed Meeks is hitting .559. Other batting averages are: Tom Jarrell, .420; Martin Boone.

Group Health Insurance Travels, Too

No matter what your vacation destination may be—whether you go to the far corners of the earth, of the United States, or of California, your Group Life Insurance, composed of your Blue Cross, and the Federal Life Insurance portion of your plan (the doctor's benefits) will take care of you just as it does in Southern California. Just be sure to take your Blue Cross Identification Card with you for hospital admission.

If you should become ill or injured while on your vacation or even on a weekend trip, your travel cash can stay in your pocket instead of being used for the hospital bill since most American and Canadian hospitals are Blue Cross hospitals.

Your Blue Cross ID Card will tell the distant hospital, just as it does the Southland one, that you are a Blue Cross member and eligible for Blue Cross services.

If you have not secured your Blue Cross Identification Card for hospital use or policy on your group plan, please call for them at the Insurance Desk in Community Services Branch, Housing Office Building.

Portrait Studio Closes For One Month

The Navy Exchange Portrait Studio will be closed from July 4 through August 4 for summer vacation.



Lt. (jg) Robert E. Cotton, USN

New Disbursing Officer Lt. (jg) Robert E. Cotton relieves Lt. (jg) Ted Jordan after sea duty aboard the USS GHEMUNG (AO 30).

Lt. (jg) Cotton has a total of 11 years with the Navy, and served with the Antarctic Expedition to the South Pole in 1946, the USS BRADFORD during the Korean conflict, attended OCS, Newport, R. I., and served aboard the USS HOOPER ISLAND (ARG 17) in Sasebo, Japan.

His two sons, Frank and Bobby, his daughter, Fran, and his wife, Louise, have joined him and they have been assigned quarters at 56-B Rodman.

COMING EVENTS

Drag Racing
 Final Drag Races of the season will be held Sunday, June 23, at Inyokern Airport with over 125 entries expected to compete. Qualifications begin at 9 a.m. and eliminations at 2 p.m. Donation is 90¢ and children under 12 will be admitted free.

China Lake Bowmen
 The China Lake Bowmen will hold a shoot at the Archery Range on Pilot Plant Road at 8 a.m. on Sunday, June 23. There will be an A and B class for men, a women's class, and one for juniors. It is not a closed shoot and anyone who cares to watch or participate is invited.

Overweight Club
 The newly-organized Overweight Club will show a film titled "Physical Fitness" at its next meeting Monday, June 24, at 8 p.m. in the Community Center. This should be particularly interesting to people concerned with losing weight at a normal rate.

Newly-elected officers are: Marjorie Pezuto, president; Almarie Meier, vice-president; Charlotte Braithorn, secretary; and Peggy Weston, program chairman.

AICE June Meet
 The American Institute of Chemical Engineers, Mojave Desert Section, will hold its monthly meeting in the Trona Recreation Center next Monday, June 24, at 8 p.m.

Rockhounds Meet
 The NOTS Rockhounds will meet at the Rockhound Hut on Monday, June 24, at 7 p.m. Kathleen Jewell will talk on pearls, the birthstone of the month and Doc Sims will explain the details of cabochon cutting. The feature of the evening will be a discussion of the minerals of Seales Lake by M. L. Leonard.

Koiner, Hornbaker Win IYW Sports Car Rally
 A Triumph TR-3, with Carl Koiner driving and Dave Hornbaker navigating, was the winner of the rally sponsored by the Indian Wells Valley Sports Car Club last Sunday with a total error of 4 minutes 53 seconds for the four legs.

Second was Gene Schlimmer and Ray Smith in an MG, while Jerry Royce and Frank Brady placed third in an MG-A. Eight cars were entered and the course included roads ranging from good cross-country highway to a two-wheel dirt track through a cow pasture. The rally ended in Tehachapi Mountain Park, where the committee and the entrants gathered for their picnic.

The winners were awarded trophies donated by McKernan's Richmond Service and Bob Smith Chevrolet-Buick.

The Standings

Little League		Won	Lost
Red Sox	.....	8	1
Pirates	.....	6	2
Giants	.....	4	4
Yankees	.....	5	5
Dodgers	.....	2	5
Tigers	.....	0	8

Double AA League		Won	Lost
Eagles	.....	1	0
White Sox	.....	1	0
Braves	.....	1	0
Athletics	.....	0	1
Cardinals	.....	0	1
Indians	.....	0	1

Babe Ruth League		Won	Lost
Cubs	.....	5	0
Reds	.....	4	1
Indians	.....	1	5
Cards	.....	1	5

Softball League		Won	Lost
Pilot Plant	.....	10	2
MCGMTU	.....	10	3
NAF	.....	9	4
VX-5	.....	9	6
Clippers	.....	8	7
Engineers	.....	6	8
Marine Barracks	.....	6	9
GMU-61	.....	4	10
CPO Club	.....	1	14

What's Doing IN RECREATION

By Madge Hucek

Hey, all you TEENAGERS! If last night's dance was any example of what fun we are going to have at the TEEN-AGE dances this summer, it will be nothin' but fun! Hal Campbell's orchestra really "outdid" themselves and promise more of the same fine music for next Thursday's dance. For all of you who weren't there, don't miss the next one on June 28 at 8 p.m. at the Community Center.

The winner of the dance contest, each week is presented with a plaque that they can keep and a large trophy which must be passed on to the winner of the following Thursday's contest. At the end of the summer dances, there will be a final contest between each week's winners, with the winning couple being presented the large trophy to keep as their very own. Lots of "mixers" soon get everybody acquainted, so come with or without a date and join in the fun. Remember, keep Thursday nights open for the "Under 21" summer dances.

Have any of you ever hankered to be on the air? If so, you may get your chance at next Thursday's TEENAGE Dance, June 27, between 8:30 and 9 p.m. when radio station KRKS broadcasts on-the-spot interviews with you teenagers.

For wearing apparel, it is recommended sport shirts and slacks for the boys and casual dresses for the girls be worn. No levis, blue jeans, tee shirts or caps will be allowed. Come on and join the fun and win a trophy!

Current Attractions
 We are loaded this week with bargains for NOTS employees—discount tickets can be picked up in Room 17, Housing Office building from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. for the following events:

Home Show (12th Annual)—at the Pan Pacific Auditorium commencing June 21 through June 30. Six city blocks of exciting new exhibits! Breath-taking model homes! Fabulous patio garden rooms! Free! giant star-spangled stage shows with Frankie Lane, Rowan & Martin, Red Nichols and his 5 pennies. It's a show for the entire family and our employees save 45 cents. Regular admission is \$1.25—your admission only 90 cents. Children 50 cents.

School For Brides—at the Forum Theatre, 4050 West Pico Bldg. The SEX-sational Laff-Riot that played over a year in New York. The discount tickets save you \$1.00 per ticket—regular prices are \$3.30 and \$2.75.

Pajama Tops—the spiciest, funniest show in 100 years, starring Mary Beth Hughes and Greta Thyssen (Miss Universe from Sweden) has reopened at the Civic Playhouse, 755 La Cienega. Discount is still \$1.00 with regular prices \$3.30 and \$2.20.

Greek Theatre
 The Greek Theatre, located in Griffith Park in Los Angeles, has one of the most modern, completely equipped and beautiful outdoor stages in the world. The programs of Ballet, Light Opera and other forms of musical theatre to be presented.

NOTS ON THE AIR
KRKS (1240)
 NOTS NEWS
 10:30 a.m.—12:05 p.m.—6:30 p.m.
 Monday through Friday

MUSICAL MEMORIES
 Tuesday, June 25 8 p.m.
 Interview with R. W. Bjorklund, Associate Head of Staff for Finance on reorganization plan his group has devised to become effective July 1.

Tuesday, June 25 8:30 p.m.
KRCK (1360)
 NOTS NEWS
 12:10 p.m. daily

Interview with R. W. Bjorklund, Associate Head of Staff for Finance, on reorganization plan his group has devised to become effective July 1.
 Sunday, June 23 12:30 p.m.

News from Pasadena



LCdr. R. G. Douglas

Safety Office Plays Major Role In Navy Driver's License Program

The safety program covers a multiple of phases—safety education, accident investigation, compensation, and many other facets. Safety is everybody's business but particularly it's the business of Jack Campbell, Pasadena's Safety Officer. Jack has been in charge of the safety program at NOTS Pasadena since 1945.

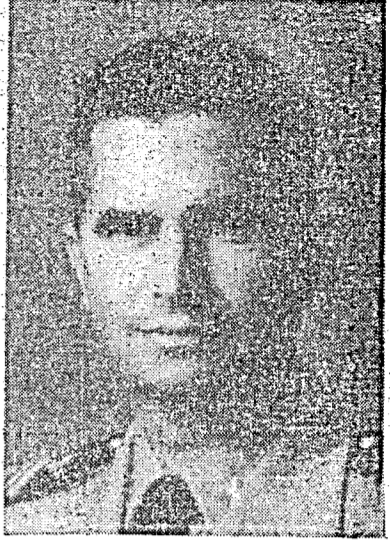
One phase of this program is examination for and issuance of Navy driver's licenses for the Eleventh Naval District military activities in the surrounding area.

On Wednesday of each week, about fifteen people gather in the safety office for either a new license, written, and actual driving tests, the staff of the safety office determines if applicants are qualified for Navy driver's licenses.

Administering the psycho-physical exams is Mary Mahan. This portion of the exams consists of a written test covering a multitude of questions on regulations and theory, and actual physical examinations to determine condition of applicant's eyes, reflex action, and judgement.

Next, the road and skill test examiner, Percy Tigh, gives applicants an actual five-mile road test in traffic. The applicant is rated on such things as turns, passing, use of controls, attention, attitude, speed, parking, and many other aspects of driving which play an important role in safety on the roads. During the past year, the staff

Douglas Leaves To Command Sub



LCdr. R. G. Douglas

LCdr. R. G. Douglas will leave NOTS Pasadena next Wednesday, June 26, after 22 months of duty here.

Before reporting to his new assignment as Commanding Officer of the submarine BASS, he will attend a 5-week course for prospective commanding officers of submarines conducted by ComSubPac—the first week at Mare Island and the remaining four weeks at Pearl Harbor.

LCdr. Douglas is a native of Honolulu, T.H., and graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1944, qualifying as a submarine officer in 1947. He had eight years duty in various submarines before coming to NOTS. While serving at NOTS, he has resided with his wife, two daughters, and a son in Pasadena.

NOTS Golf Team Tops Clary Corp. In 2 Games of Series

In the first two matches of a series to be held with Clary Corporation, the NOTS "A" golf team has scored victoriously, winning the first match by 9½-8½ and the second by 9½-5½.

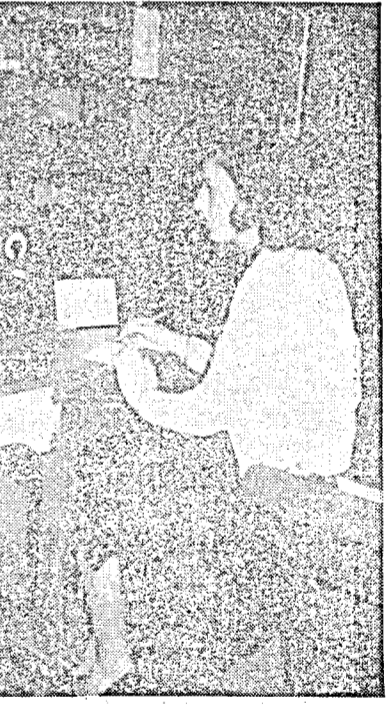
The NOTS Golf Team is nearing the half-way mark of season play with the Divot Diggers leading, Duffers second, Peepickers third, and Sobusters fourth.

Individual award winner for low gross is Wendell Alexander with 40 and tying for low net are Mabry Van Reed, Jim Cassidy, and Carl Endeward, all with a score of 33.

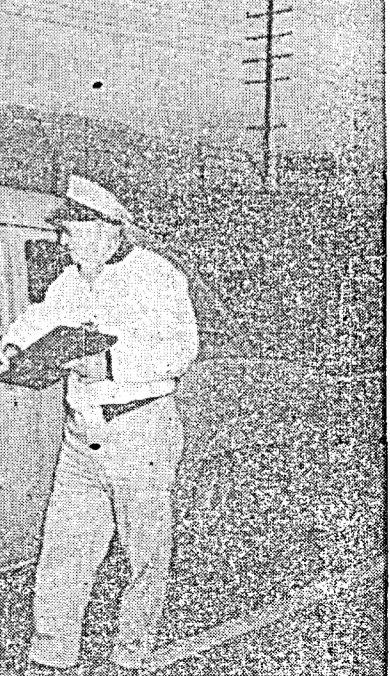
The next game to be played by the NOTS Golf Team will be against Electrodata on July 21 at Montebello.

Annex Vacancies

Physicist, Mathematician, Engineer, GS-13. Incumbent will serve as head of the analysis branch, Torpedo Development Division, UOD. Duties will consist of directing the work of a small group of analytical specialists. Familiarity with electronic computing means is desirable. Contact Betty Butler, Extension 110.



EYESIGHT EXAM—The Ortho-Rater is one of many devices used in the safety office to determine physical qualifications of applicants. Mary Mahan, who administers psycho-physical exams, is shown examining the eyesight of David Massoth, Navy Area Audit Office.



DRIVING TEST—Percy A. Tigh (right), road and skill test examiner, explains to Lieutenant Robert Jackson, Los Angeles Ordnance Depot, what is required of him in the driving exercises he is about to perform.