

Pictorial HiLights



FINAL LOG—GMU-25 skipper, LCdr. J. R. Griffin complied with Navy customs by personally closing out unit's log this week prior to dis-establishment of NOTS facility. Witnessing event, with sea bags packed for future duty stations, are E. D. Gregory, YN2, and "Mouse" Mazurowski, YN1.



MEN EARN AWARDS—Capt. A. F. Farwell, Chief Inspector during the recent VX-5 Administrative Material review, presented to (L-R) F. J. Secord, YNC, the Army Commendation Medal; to Major Leo Gerlach, USMC, and R. B. Houser, ATC, the Secretary of the Navy Commendation for Achievement Award, and A. J. Rege, ADJ1, a letter of commendation from the Commander, NOTS.



CAREER MINDED — James J. Larkin, GMG3, adds another hitch to his Navy career of nearly ten years. Assigned JOOD duties here since arrival in Dec. 1961, Larkin was sworn in by Capt. Quense during ceremonies early this month. Prior to assignment here, he served aboard the USS Topeka.



OUT OF THE PAST—Antique Show to open this weekend in the Indian Wells Valley Museum will display furnishings for three complete rooms. Displaying an antique fan for Rocketeer preview this week was Mrs. Duane Mack, who donated several items and assisted in cataloging material for the show.

China Lake Players Begin Rehearsals For Drama Festival

The China Lake Players, local community theater group, have entered the Kern County Drama Festival with a new one-act play by William Inge titled "Glory In the Flower."

This subtle, nostalgic character study features Betty Hughes as Jackie Bowen, a piano teacher in a little Midwestern town who has to face the realization that the man she has loved for many years was not the real person but a romantic ideal.

Cpl. G. A. Pelletier plays the role of Bus Riley, Jackie's dream man, who is a self-centered, tough guy. He finally meets her in the Paradise Bar, which is a comfortable second-class place run by Howie, the friendly bartender played by Jim Bray. One of his steady customers is an elderly salesman, played by Alan Fouse, whose comments form a counterpoint to Jackie's story.

Ed DeVito plays the role of Joker, a teen-ager, whose headless youth shows what the "good old days" for Jackie and Bus were really like. Gloria Boyster, Tom Leach, B. A. Fouse and Betty Hughes (daughter of the leading lady) portray other teenagers who hang around the Paradise.

"Glory In The Flower" will be performed in the try-out rounds of the drama festival in the second week of May at the Harvey Auditorium in Bakersfield. Mary Wickenden is the director, assisted by Pat Schwarzbach.

Meefings...

T-BALL CLINIC is scheduled for 8:30 a.m. tomorrow at the Little League Diamond No. 1.

AAUW Book Review Study group will be hosted by Jane Speaker at 200 Blueridge on April 16 at 1:30 p.m. Alice Hirsch is slated to review books on flower arrangement and demonstrate beginning techniques.

The Mass Media study group will meet at the Milburn residence at 706 Saratoga on April 18, at 8 p.m. Carolyn Lindberg continues her report on semantics, and Lois Allan will review a book on mass culture.

FRENCH CERCLE members have scheduled a dinner meeting at Nino and Lino in Inyokern next Wednesday at 7 p.m.

"WHAT'S MY LINE?"

Everyone now working at China Lake should have met Clara Iorillo at one time or another. After 13 years in the NOTS family, Clara says she interviews up to 50 persons weekly in her job as interviewer for the Internal Security department.

The happy wife of Alex Iorillo, Clara has two sons, age 8 and 3.

Our mystery male of the week is Navyman "Jim" Choat, ENS, one of the outstanding Commissary department crew.

A seven-year veteran of Navy life, Choat was assigned duties here last August after service in minesweepers with the Pacific Fleet.

In his world travels, "Jim" notes Sasebo, Japan, as his favorite overseas liberty port.

One of the greatest assets that Radio Free Europe enjoys is the voluntary support of private American citizens. RFE provides each American with an opportunity to take an active, personal role in the fight against the spread of Communism.

RECREATION BILL

Wildflower-Antique Shows Occupy Weekend Leisure

The Eighteenth Annual Wildflower Show at China Lake, sponsored by WACOM, takes place this weekend. Doors open from 12 noon to 10 p.m. on Saturday, and from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Sunday. No passes will be necessary to gain admission to the Station, and signs have been erected for directing visitors to the Community Center.

The staging committee, under the direction of Alice Dubin and Sylvia Winslow, plans an interesting display to carry out the theme, "Wildflower Roundup." Miniature arrangements are handled by Lila Sholes. Assistance is welcomed through 10 p.m. today for flower arrangement.

There is no admission charge, but donations will be accepted to defray expenses.

A Bygone Era
The Antique Show, under the general chairmanship of Mickey Freedman, has been set up in the Recreation Building. Exhibits will be displayed during the same hours as the Wildflower Show.

Three complete rooms will be displayed: a Victorian bedroom, an Early American bedroom, and a Victorian living room. Collections of china, prints, buttons, and clothing will be seen, along with family heirlooms, out-of-town displays, and treasures purchased in many parts of the world.

The show is sponsored by friends of the Maturango Museum of Indian Wells Valley to raise funds for operating expenses. There is no admission charge, but donations will be accepted.

Rocketeer Deadlines
News, Tuesday, 4:30 p.m.
Photos, Tuesday, 11:30 a.m.

SPORTS SLANTS

Entry Deadline Set For Softball League

Personnel wishing to participate in the Station Intramural Softball League are asked to submit entries to the Special Services Office via their Personnel Officer or Civilian Department Head, no later than April 16.

Entries will include the name of the team and manager's phone number. A meeting of prospective entrants is slated April 17 at 1 p.m. in the Housing Building conference room.

Volleyball Champs
Congratulations to the VX-5 team on their championship win this week. Members of the undefeated team who will receive

trophies are Bud Hall, Bob Anderson, Bill Walton, Ernie Shiflett, John Akana, Wilt Akana, Bill Mathews, John Holzbauer, Jerry Gerard and Elton Brooks. A team trophy will also be awarded to VX-5.

Bowling
The winter bowling leagues are approaching the final stages of play and summer leagues are already in the offing. The "24 Club," only women's scratch league in the area, still have four weeks of league play to complete and show the "Four Warned" ahead by 4½ games. The Meadow Larks are close behind with 41½ games won.



CERAMIC SHOW—Visitors to the annual Ceramic Show, held this week in the Community Center, included youngsters (from left) Debbie Walker, 7, and her twin sister and brother, Laura and Larry, age 9. They're children of Cdr. R. L. Walker, Naval Air Facility. Attraction drew throngs from all ages to view record number of entries.

SHOWBOAT

TODAY APR. 13
"BABES IN TOYLAND" (105 Min.)
Roy Bolger, Tommy Sands
6 and 8:15 p.m.
(Fantasy in Color) Disney brings alive the Fairy Tale of the villain who plots to keep Mary Contrary from marrying Tom Piper. Gay, light and funny. (Excellent Family)

SHORT: "Pantry Pirate" (7 Min.)
SHORT: "The Ape Man" (82 Min.)
Denny Miller
7 p.m.
SHORT: "Cueball Cat" (7 Min.)
"Radar Men From The Moon"
Chapter 1 (20 Min.)

—EVENING—
"EDGE OF ETERNITY" (80 Min.)
Cornel Wilde, Victoria Shaw
7 p.m.
(Action) Set in the scenic wonders of the Grand Canyon as a deputy sheriff fights three unsolved murders and one theft. The climax is a show in itself.
(Adults and Young People)

SHORT: "Popcorn and Politics" (7 Min.)
"Pacific Paradise" (14 Min.)
SUN-MON: APR. 15-16
"TENDER IS THE NIGHT" (146 Min.)
Jennifer Jones, Jason Robards Jr.
7 p.m.
(Drama in Color) Psychiatrist falls in love with his patient and marries her. Idle, rich life in the aimless 21's cause her to progress while he retrogresses. Continental background scenes and lavish production.
(Adults and Young People)

TUES-WED: APR. 17-18
"BATTLEGROUND" (118 Min.)
Van Johnson, George Murphy, James Whitmore
7 p.m.
(War Drama) A story of stories, an insight into the feeling about war as seen by various members of a specific squad of the 101st Airborne Division (The Heroes of Bastogne). Here's the classic action-drama them all.
(Adults and Young People)

THURS-FRI: APR. 19-20
"THE INNOCENTS" (99 Min.)
Deborah Kerr, Michael Redgrave
7 p.m. Thursday
6 and 8 p.m. Friday
(Suspense-Drama in Color) Governess is baffled by supernatural actions of her boy and girl charges who seem to be reincarnations of former servants on the estate where she's employed. For discriminating suspense seekers.
(Adults)

SHORT: "Sock a Doodle Do" (7 Min.)

Juvenile Department Established Here By Police Chief

China Lake Police Chief Robert F. Groth drew on his two decades of police experience this week in creating a juvenile division to work with local problems and the realignment of police protection for local residents.

Groth appointed Sergeant Aaron C. Jones head of the juvenile unit and said the veteran China Lake officer would commence work immediately in problems involving youths in the community.

"Sergeant Jones brings to this new division a wealth of exper-



Sgt. Aaron Jones

ience in police work in addition to a vast knowledge of local problems," said Groth in making the appointment.

"I am certain that parents and organized youth groups here will profit immeasurably from working with the new juvenile officer."

Jones' police work locally includes experience gained since his initial employment here as a fireman with the Security Department in Dec. 1946.

An El Paso, Tex., native, the newly appointed juvenile officer joined the police division eleven years ago.

He said this week that his new appointment "is a fulfillment of a longtime ambition."

"I've always had a deep-rooted interest in youngsters and

Favors Lifting Ban

WASHINGTON — Senator A. Willis Robertson of Virginia said this week he favors lifting the ban on dependent overseas travel and asked Congress to appropriate sufficient funds to permit resumption of this travel.

GMU-25 Phases Out After 7 Years Here

Guided Missile Unit-25, after seven years of performing support Research and Development activities for NOTS, started its phase-out procedures this week in response to an order from the Secretary of the Navy that dis-established the unit Mar. 20 of this year.

Lieutenant Commander Jack R. Griffin, Officer-in-Charge of the disbanded unit, said this week that a majority of his fifty-odd officers and enlisted men would be retained in billets here.

LCdr. Griffin's organization was one of three Guided Missile Units established here in 1955

and first worked with the "Terrier" weapon in its infancy stages.

Responsibilities formerly performed by GMU-25 will now be handled by the Range Division, he said.

Once a part of GMU-61, LCdr. Griffin's unit was established by the SevNav as a military element of the Eleventh Naval District, and under management control of the Bureau of Ordnance.

Its outstanding performance of duties has reaped the unit numerous citations and praise from senior Naval officers through its seven-year history.



NOTS VISITORS—China Lake Command drew national attention this week with the overnight visit for conferences and briefings of (from left) Rear Admiral P. D. Stroop, Chief, Bureau of Weapons; former Secretary of the Navy Dan Kimball; Captain C. Blenman, Jr., ComNOTS and host to the visitors and Vice Admiral R. B. Pirie, DCNO (Air). Not in photo was Rear Admiral A. M. Shinn, Assistant Chief for Field Support, BuWeps.



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Pierre St. Amand

St. Amand's Beard Fools "To Tell The Truth" Quiz Panel

Identifying a scientist purely on his physical characteristics can be a difficult job.

The panel of experts on the "To Tell the Truth" network television show were stumped when NOTS' Pierre St. Amand turned up this week in New York for the show scheduled for broadcast Monday evening, April 16.

"They thought I looked too much like a scientist," said St. Amand in a telephone conversation late this week from New York.

Locally, the program will be seen via Channel 2 Monday at 7:30 p.m.

Invitation Extended Dr. Bennett to Attend Metrologist's Confab

Dr. H. E. Bennett, Head of the Physical Optics Branch in the Research Department, presented a paper on the "Reflectance Method for Determining Surface Finish" at a meeting of the Metrology Division of the American Society for Quality Control. The conference was held in Los Angeles on Monday, April 9.

Dr. Bennett's paper presents a new approach to the measurement of surface finish that has promise of very high accuracy in the 0.1 to 10 micron range.

Scheduled Airlines Start China Lake Service April 24

Final arrangements were completed yesterday between NOTS officials and representatives of the Pacific Air Lines for the start of scheduled airline service between Inyokern and Los Angeles Tuesday, April 24.

The new service will end charter plane service and mark the first time scheduled airline facilities have been provided for this area.

Warren W. Lauer, System Reservation Manager, conferred here Thursday morning, said his company will use 28-passenger, DC-3 planes in the immediate future. He said he was hopeful that this plane could be replaced with more luxurious craft at a later date.

The new Inyokern to Los Angeles flights will run twice daily, Monday through Friday, stopping enroute at Palmdale for additional passengers. The

flights departing Inyokern on weekdays at 6:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. will arrive at the new air terminal at Los Angeles International Airport, it was pointed out.

One way fares have been tentatively set at \$10.40 plus tax.

A weekend flight will depart Inyokern Saturday mornings, returning from Los Angeles Sunday evening, Lauer said.

Of major importance to passengers, according to Lauer, will be the reservation booking feature that will permit passengers to book flights on other scheduled airlines throughout the world from China Lake.

EDITORIAL

End to Rumors Sought

It has come to the attention of the Rocketeer that a completely unfounded rumor has been circulating at NOTS this past week.

A rumor is defined as general talk not based on definite knowledge, and this "gossip" tends to be more prevalent in an isolated area such as ours.

The current topic has as its subject the purported reduction in force of over 700 employees in the near future. Rumors of this type serve no useful purpose, and are very detrimental to morale of everybody employed at NOTS. In the interest of squelching this irresponsible type talk this rumor was looked into thoroughly and the following facts were found.

An annual personnel ceiling report, published on 9 April, is under consideration. (This report advises a hold the line policy.) Several high ranking admirals visited the Station this week. (This is in conjunction with several top priority technical projects under way here.)

Captain C. Blenman, Jr., Commander, U. S. Naval Ordnance Test Station upon interrogation stated that this rumor is false and has no factual basis. On the contrary all indications are that NOTS will remain at its present size for the foreseeable future.

In the interest of morale the Rocketeer will strive in the future to short-circuit rumors by answering, as realistically as facts will allow, all questions referred to it of rumored actions of the Command. This will be accomplished by the introduction of a new column, "Ask the Captain," which will appear in future issues.

EDITORIAL Library Week A Time To Count Our Blessings

"Read and Watch Your World Grow" . . . This is an invitation from your libraries to participate in one of the richest heritages we own today as Americans. Throughout the land this week, well deserved credit and recognition is being focused on those who help develop and nourish our reading habits. The responsibility they carry in performing this broadening task is one of ever-increasing scope. Never before in our civilization have man's interests spread to such diverse proportion. Our interests in international politics, once a field reserved for those specialized in diplomacy, are today subjects of common interest to all. In the community, such as ours, where enlightenment and culture play major roles in our daily lives, the library becomes the fountain of knowledge. And, in this sense, none can equal the facilities provided us here at China Lake. In this regard, our facilities are perfectly matched by the personnel who constantly strive for improvement. We are indeed fortunate here in America to enjoy the privileges of a free society. We are especially fortunate to have in our local society, the instruments which aid us in perpetuating these freedoms. Certainly, our libraries are essential to the continued success of our progress.

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

Holy Week-Passover Time For Meditation

By Chaplain R. C. Fenning
"Holy Week and Passover, we get along without you very well!" This could easily be the line of a Russian political prince of 1962 who scans a current U.S. newspaper with its reports of forthcoming religious events. Articulate voices in our own land would gladly take up such a chant of emancipation. Life would lose much of its meaning for many of us if it were not for this annual season of reflection and devotion. The emphasis shifts from the hectic world of man's self-imposed timetable for survival to events that have brought hope and faith down through the ages.

The story of a Man riding on a beast of burden through the dusty streets of an ancient Eastern city, as children sang praises and waved palm branches, seems to have little relevance to our present predicament. Yet, there is a realization that beyond these events, which Christians recollect on Palm Sunday, is a story of divine love for all men. Humility and faith collaborate to bring a new dimension to this life. And God is again at the heart of the matter.



Christian Science (Chapel Annex)
Morning Service—11 a.m.
Sunday School—11 a.m.
Nursery facilities available.
Unitarians (Parish Hall)
Sunday—7:30 p.m.
Protestant (All Faith Chapel)
Morning Worship—9:45 and 11 a.m.
Sunday School—9:30 a.m., Groves and Richmond elementary schools.
Roman Catholics (All Faith Chapel)
Holy Mass—7, 8:30 a.m. and 4:45 p.m. Sunday.
6 a.m. Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. Saturday.
Confessions—8 to 8:25 a.m., 7 to 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Thursday before First Friday—4 to 5:30 p.m.
NOTS Hebrew Services (East Wing All Faith Chapel)
Every first and third Friday, 8:15 p.m.
Sabbath School every Saturday morning.

State Law Provides Education Benefits For Vet Survivors

Residents of California are encouraged to review the provisions of the California Dependents Educational Act to determine eligibility for educational assistance. The law provides a continuing program for children of servicemen who died as a result of active duty. Last year, provisions were extended to include dependents of servicemen who died or were totally disabled as a result of any peacetime military service since September 16, 1940. The California educational assistance program is designed to complement the federal program. Because of the differences in the requirements, however, it is urged that interested persons visit their local Veterans Service Office for counseling. If eligible, it is possible to receive a monthly stipend at high school level, and within limitations, an allowance plus tuition at the college level. Full details concerning the State and the Federal programs may be obtained from the County Veterans Service Office located at 236 W. Ridgecrest Blvd.

Representative From Social Security Office Due Here Next Week

A representative of the Bakersfield Social Security Office, will be in this area next week. Anyone wishing to file an application for Old-Age, Survivors or Disability benefits may contact James Quakenbush at the Community Center on Wednesday from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. The self-employed must have a copy of the most recent tax return, and salaried persons a copy of their W-2 form as evidence of 1961 earnings. Proof of age is desirable but application should not be delayed because of lack of such proof. Assistance will be provided in obtaining proof if none is readily available.

Personnel Statistics

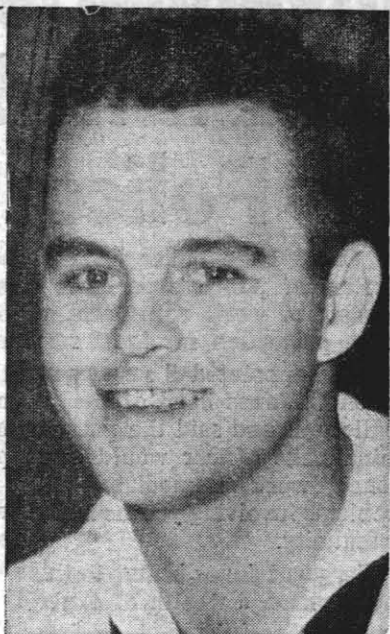
New Employees
Supply — John F. Metzger, Contract Specialist.
UOD — Robert S. Gill, Materials Engineer.
Administration Division—Bert L. Carlson, Guard.
Supply — Joseph E. Trujillo, Clerk Typist.
Administration Division—Lester D. Hess, Guard.
Public Works—Leland M. Andrews, Carpenter.
Public Works — Walter H. Sprague, Pipefitter.

NOTS PROFILES Bluejacket Spurred By Challenges

He probably doesn't realize it, but Roger W. Byron personifies the U. S. Navy's modern-day, nuclear-age bluejacket. Nudging past his fourth year of service this week as a member of Guided Missile Unit-25, the brown-haired native of Concord, Mass. learned of his promotion to Missile Technician First Class.

Rapid Progress
Old Navy hands readily recall the days when the average man made first class petty officer during his third or fourth "cruise." "It was sheer luck," Byron claimed during a Rocketeer interview, a wide-grin splitting his face. Good fortune may have smiled down on the 24-year-old youth's career from time to time. But, ingenuity and application have played predominant roles. One of two children in the Walter E. Byron family, Roger attended grade schools at Concord and was enrolled at Tufts University with his sights aimed at an engineering future when he enlisted in the Navy in 1957.

Looking back on life this week, Roger recalled his stint in the school band and winning his letter as a member of the swimming team. Science Interest
"But, I always seemed to find satisfaction in studying science. Maybe it was the fast-paced world in which I grew up that influenced me," he commented. Following recruit training, Byron was selected for training as a candidate for Missile Technician rating and has since gained steady promotions with each passing year. Now married and the father of 3-month-old Suzanne, Byron lives with his small family at 215 Hornet St. His wife,

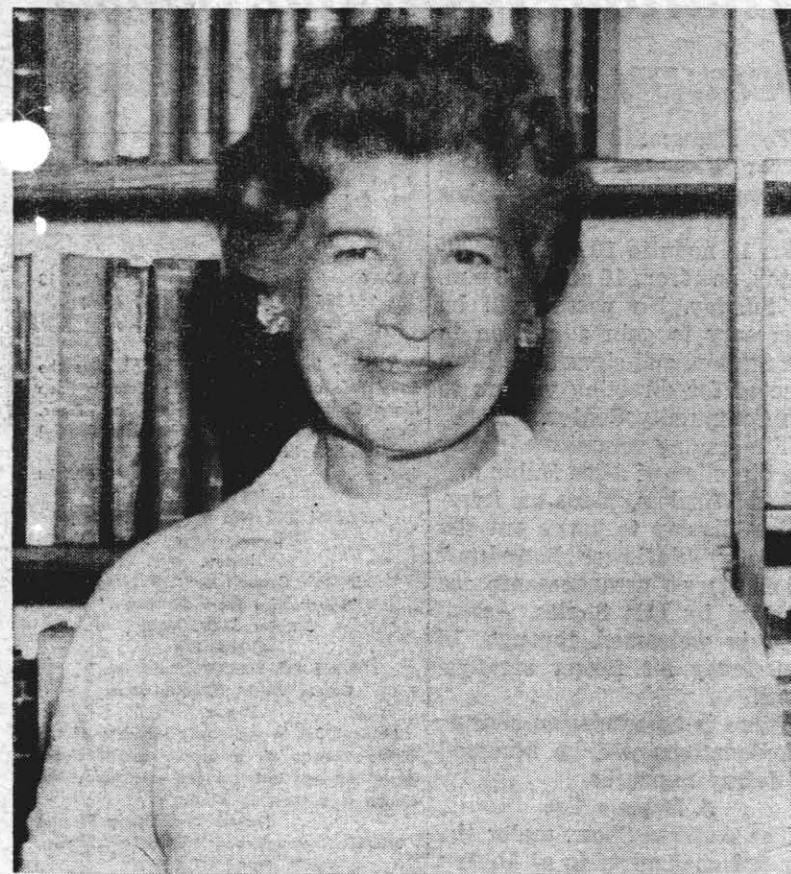


Karin, is a native born German girl whose interests in his success, according to Byron, is his strongest asset.

New Career
A new chapter in Byron's life will be started this year with his enrollment at Washington University as a student in the Navy's Enlisted Scientific Education Program. Though not certain that he'll be assigned to that particular school right now, Roger emphasizes his interests in "getting into their micro-wave transmission program." The husky, blue-eyed Navy man is already mentally enrolled in studies yet to come. When "shooting the breeze" with his buddies in GMU-25, to be decommissioned shortly, Byron's conversations eventually turn to the future of technology in which our Navy is today deeply involved.

This is the brand of conversation that would've provided now-retired Admiral Arleigh Burke, former Chief of Naval Operations, a source of contentment. Pasadena
One of the famous "31-knot Burke's" favorite topics when talking with newsmen used to be the age of technology in which we live and the growing demands for men who could match this challenge. Roger W. Byron is matching the challenge today with room to spare.

'Read... And Watch Your World Grow'



MAY I HELP YOU? — Jane LaRosa, employed at the Station Library, expresses obvious pleasure in her work. The local facility offers an excellent variety of reading material.

'Library Week' Hailed Apr. 8-14 Throughout World

The library facilities available at China Lake for leisure reading and research purposes handle an unbelievable circulation. Ruth Ohler, Station librarian, reveals that the annual circulation of 72,000 books exceeds expectations for our 21,475 book library. Reading traffic at times reaches the "standing room only" proportions and, with this in mind, plans are being formulated to expand library accommodations utilizing the present Post Office space.

Technical Library
Located conveniently at Michelson Laboratory, the Station's technical library services hundreds of research personnel engaged in specialized fields. There are on hand 130,000 technical reports and a book collection numbering 35,000. The library also subscribes to 802 management and technical magazines. Last year's circulation reached 50,000 items.

Library personnel are currently being briefed on the adoption of a mechanized information retrieval system for technical reports utilizing the IBM 7090 computer which promises an easier flow of documents.

Under the direction of Carolyn Kruse, Head of the Library Division, a reading and reference library is also maintained at the Propulsion Laboratory. Cataloging and management are centralized at Michelson Laboratory, thus extending efficient utilization of existing trained librarians and established operational facilities.

Pasadena Facility To Hear Lectures On Oceanography

Oceanography will be the topic for two unclassified technical lectures to be presented at NOTS Pasadena, in the large conference room, building 7.

On Thursday, April 19 at 10 a.m., "Oceanography — Seven Years After" will be presented by Mr. James M. Snodgrass, Head, Special Developments Scripps Institution of Oceanography, University of California, La Jolla.

Mr. Snodgrass will discuss the advances in oceanography that have taken place over the past seven years. In particular, he will describe the development of new high-pressure components and the recent automation of oceanographic data for widespread reduction.

Mr. Edwin P. Fleischer, Coordinator, Research Ships, Pacific Naval Laboratory, Victoria, B. C., Canada, will be the speaker on Friday, April 20 at 1:30 p.m.

Mr. Fleischer will describe the new research ships, laboratory facilities, and machinery being built for Canada's West Coast. These facilities will be used by scientists from both universities and government departments.

CC Endorses Candidates For National Committee

The China Lake Community Council went on record in recommending three Ridgecrest businessmen for the existing vacancy of member-at-large on the Committee studying redistricting of County supervisorial districts.

Burke West, Claude Welch, and William Puckett gained the Council's approval as indicated in a recent communication to the Kern County Board of Supervisors.

Senator Promises Support
In response to a letter from the Council, Senator Kuchel has promised his support for the deficiency request for FY 1962 aid for the local school district

when it reaches the Senate Appropriations Committee. It was announced that Harry Bearman will represent the Council on the Kern County Regional Airport Study Committee, which is investigating the future of aviation progress in this county.

The Housing Committee reported that the sliding glass doors in Capehart housing do present a potential danger, particularly to children. It was proposed that the Council work with the Station's Safety Officer in seeking methods to reduce this hazard.

Winners of the final cribbage tournament of the season were John Dunaway from the Propulsion Development Department, and Al Munson, Engineering Department. Cribbage play will be resumed during the fall season and announcement will be made in this column.

ity and that willful neglect is incompatible with continued employment in the service.



AOA CONFERENCE—Fifty members of the American Ordnance Association, conferring at NOTS Pasadena Tuesday and Wednesday of this week, heard Capt. J. A. Quense, Executive Officer, NOTS China Lake, brief audience on activities here. Military and industrial leaders throughout the nation gathered at Pasadena for the Spring Meeting.

R. E. Thompson Promoted to Chief

Congratulations are in order for R. E. Thompson, QM1, USN, who was recently informed by Chief of Naval Personnel that he had successfully participated in the February 1962 Navy-wide examination for advancement to Chief Quartermaster. Effective date of promotion is July 16, 1962.



Quartermaster Thompson is with the Fleet Liaison and Operations Office, Code P1903. He has been with NOTS Pasadena since March 1961. He and his wife, Phyllis, reside in Westminster with their four children, Nancy, Robert, Jody, and Penny.



RELAXED ATMOSPHERE — The Station's technical library boasts an outstanding reference collection, current periodicals, card catalogs, an open book area, and reports section.

Interlab Committee Holds Facilities Conference Here

Organized as an informal working group fourteen years ago, the Interlaboratory Committee on Facilities (ILCF) met at China Lake last week in their continuing task of providing cooperative services within member laboratories. J. J. Pierce from the Naval Ordnance Lab at Corona, in his role of 1962 chairman, welcomed Robert D. Isaak and Donald W. Liddell from the Navy Electronics Lab at San Diego, and Orville Polk from the Naval Postgraduate School at Monterey, in their new capacity as representatives.

Other laboratories represented are the Civil Engineering Lab at Port Hueneme, Naval Missile Center at Pt. Mugu, and the Naval Radiological Defense Lab at San Francisco.

Group Provides Aid
The Committee's objective is the maintenance of channels at the various laboratories so that small tasks, without the exchange of funds, may be readily effected. It is estimated that tangible savings through this operation have reached approximately \$500,000 per year. The direct dollar savings have undoubtedly affected undetermined project funds, and new ideas are often generated which prove

to be equally valuable. NOTS personnel who have equipment or consultation needs which could be met by another California member laboratory are encouraged to contact K. H. Robinson, G. R. Schrieker, or K. S. Skaar and state their needs. M. Van Reed is the NOTS, Pasadena representative.

VIP Visitors Due
At least two parties of senior Navy officers are scheduled to visit China Lake during the remainder of April, according to an announcement made by NOTS officials this week. Arriving here April 19 for an overnight stay will be Rear Admiral Murr E. Arnold, Commandant, 11th Naval District. In his party will be Larry E. Paulter, District Director of Civilian Personnel and E. H. Hammond, Executive Secretary, San Diego Board of Civil Service.

Vice Admiral W. F. Raborn, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations (Development), is scheduled to visit the command April 29 and May 1.

WHAT'S MY LINE?
How good are you at guessing a person's occupation? As a continuing feature with a two-fold purpose, the Rocketeer will publish pictures of personnel employed here. It'll be your job to guess their occupations. Once you do, of course, you'll also have had the chance to meet some of the people who make ours the world's finest command. See page four for their identities.



Staff Photos by Lee Mascarello

PROMOTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES AT NOTS

Present Station employees are encouraged to apply for the positions listed below. Applications should be accompanied by an up-to-date Form 58. The fact that positions are advertised here does not preclude the use of other means to fill these vacancies.

Accounting Technician, GS-4 and 5, Code 1762—Performs local fund accounting at the program, task, project or channel level. Perform payroll and leave functions for personnel employed by the serviced department.

Fiscal Accounting Clerk, GS-4 or 5, Code 1762—Incumbent will act in the capacity of an Accounting and Statistical Clerk, specializing in payroll and statistics.

Electrician (Aircraft), \$3.02 to \$3.28, Code 1800—Overhauls, repairs, modifies, assembles, and installs aircraft electrical systems, equipment and accessories.

Electronics Mechanic, \$3.09 to \$3.35 p/h, Code 1800—Overhauls, repairs, modifies, assembles, calibrates, and installs electronic equipment and related devices, involving audio and video-electronic circuits.

File applications for above positions with Mary Watts, Personnel Building Room 28, Ext. 7-7233.

Mechanical Engineer, GS-9/11, PD No. 0300791A-2/030081B-1, Code 3072—Incumbent will be engaged in problems of a general nature included in the field of Mechanical,

Structural, and Propulsion Engineering. Primary responsibility of the position will be the engineering, development, and design for the necessary facilities, equipment and systems to properly carry out captive flight tests of proposed Test Range Programs.

Telephone Operator (Temporary NTE 6 months), GS-3, PD No. 17417-3, Code 8544—Incumbent completes incoming and outgoing long distance and local calls, outgoing telegrams, conference and leased-line calls. Must have had experience in completing long distance calls.

General Engineer, GS-7, 9 or 11, (4 vacancies), Code 3021—As a Range Engineer, performs engineering, planning and coordination involved in experimental testing on G-1, 2, 3, K-3, K-Z, Victor, CT-4, or the Randsburg Wash Test Ranges Test Department. Mechanical Civil or Electrical engineering experience is generally qualifying for these positions.

Electronic Development Technician GS-9, Code 3024—Is responsible for assembly of and missile system tests on guided missiles, rockets, and other ordnance components on Test Department Ground Ranges; is further responsible for safety during missile assembly operations; will originate operational assembly procedures.

Electronic Engineer, GS-11, Code 3024—Same as above.

General Engineer or Mechanical Engineer (Ordnance), GS-9 or 11, Code 3024—Is responsible for assembly and conducting missile system tests on guided missile system tests on system tests, rockets and other ammunition or ordnance components on Test Department Ground Ranges. Is also responsible for developing operational assembly and loading procedures, and new missile handling and loading techniques.

Engineering Technician, GS-9 or 11, Code 3024—Same as above.

Electrical Engineer (Equipment), GS-9 or 11, Code 3022—Will engage in the preparations, planning and implementation of range facilities and major test installations for the testing of range facilities and major test installations for the testing of guided missiles, fuzes, rockets, and other ordnance items.

Electronic Development Technician, GS-9 p/h, Code 3022—Same as above.

Clerk-Typist (Part-Time) 20-hours per week, GS-3, PD No. 240038, Code 4031—Incumbent will work mornings to assist Branch Secretary in typing correspondence, reports, memos, etc. Performs some filing duties, answers phone, directs visitors.

File applications for above positions with Iris Criggs, Personnel Building Room 34, Ext. 7-2032.

Writer, GS-11, PD No. 275011, Code 7522

Senior Writer and Head, Development Branch, Presentations Division. To prepare Technical and semi-technical speeches and audio-visual presentations, using information obtained from personal interviews and written materials.

Electronic Engineer, GS-11 or 12, PD No. 055010, Code 5562—Designs, develops and tests support equipment for various missiles and other types of ordnance.

Mechanical Engineer, GS-10, PD No. 24997-4, Code P2564—Position is Industrial Specialist with the Purchase Division, Supply Department. Applicants must possess a broad background of manufacturing and production experience, and must have broad knowledge of procurement regulations.

Contract Specialist (two vacancies), GS-9 or 10, PD: 36042 and 36-42-2; Code P2563—Duties include contract negotiation, advisory liaison services related to contract administration and contract termination. Liaison services include travel between NOTS Pasadena and China Lake, NPOQA, and contractors' plants.

Plumber, Code P7122, \$2.97 to \$3.21 p/h—Lay out and install piping systems, install and maintain plumbing fixtures, maintain sewage pumping disposal systems, air conditioning cooling towers, fire protection equipment and related equipment.

An up-to-date SF-58 must be submitted when applying for these positions.

Wilma Smith, Personnel Building Room 31, Ext. 7-1393. Deadline date for all applications: April 20.

Pasadena
To apply for positions, contact Nancy Reardon, Pasadena Personnel Division, Extension 104.

Industrial Specialist (General), GS-10, PD: 24997-4, Code P2564—Position is Industrial Specialist with the Purchase Division, Supply Department. Applicants must possess a broad background of manufacturing and production experience, and must have broad knowledge of procurement regulations.

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