

Community And Social News

By TONI GOFF

WACOM members have slated a Christmas decoration workshop at the Officers Club for Dec. 7 at 7 p.m. Members are urged to bring their husbands to assist in the tricky balancing acts that are a part of the high altitude decoration chores. The management will serve Tom and Jerry's and a special program is planned at mid-evening. Dancers from Pat Holmquist's ballet class, the popular "China Dolls" barbershop quartet, and Bill Valenteen delivering a comic monologue, promise to enliven the task.

The Desert Bridge Club meeting scheduled next Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the Rowe St. Hut, will be held as a charity affair. All card fees go toward the Chaplain's Christmas Fund. A wonderful gesture which will be repeated many times by individuals as they donate to charity their Christmas card mailing expenses. This practice took hold last year and is snowballing.

A ham dinner, sponsored by the Fellowship Committee of the Community Church will highlight their annual meeting this Sunday at 6 p.m. in the east wing of the All Faith Chapel. The dinner is a family affair and entertainment will be provided for the children during the business meeting, which convenes at 7 p.m. Agenda includes: 1963 budget, election of Board members, and special reports. Make your dinner reservation now at the Chaplain's Office.

ASPA members and their guests will hear an address by representatives of the Defense Research Establishment of the United Kingdom during a 12 p.m. luncheon meeting next Wednesday at the Officers Club. They will discuss "Defense Research and Development in the U.K. as Contrasted to the U.S."

Persons interested in the preservation and restoration of old cars, are invited to the next meeting of the China Lake Chapter, the Model T Ford Club International on Dec. 3, 7:30 p.m. at the Rowe Street Hut. Maynard Craig, chairman, plans to initiate an active program of car restoration, display and competition meets, costume design, and parade participation.

The newly elected officers of the China Lake Photographic Society encourage all photography fans to attend their meetings held the first and third Wednesday of each month at 8 p.m. in the No. 50 King Street hut. Prospective members can anticipate interesting programs designed to improve photographic techniques and related media.

Ann Seitz, Community Center manager, tells me she has received \$1 discount coupons for the Nat'l Finals Rodeo sponsored by The Rodeo Cowboys Assoc., Inc., to be held Dec. 4-9 at the L.A. Sports Arena. Indoor rodeo should be quite an experience!

Ways and means for increasing parental participation in the China Lake Little League program were discussed at last week's annual meeting. President Bob Freedman commented that those who have helped are small handful of men who worked regularly last spring and total no more than 10 different persons during the six weeks that construction work has been in progress.

Bob estimates that if 300 Little League dads donated eight man-hours each during the next two months, all construction, wiring, plumbing, painting, etc., would be completed in time to use the facilities for spring training.

Carroll Wilson, Test Dept. project engineer and Little League enthusiast, expresses our youths' spirit of the sport in this poem:

Now that the season is over,
And the dust of battle has cleared
It's time to take stock of our efforts
What matter how bad we got smeared?

The Umpires were always against us
The sun always shone in our eyes
Our gloves never had enough pocket
And the helmets were all the wrong size.

The clock stopped dead when we got ahead
And the wind blew dust in our eyes
Time always ran out in our rallies
Our opponents were all twice our size.

But we had a few glorious moments
In spite of the curse on our heads
Remember the time we stopped the Hawks
Or the night we clobbered the Reds?

So regardless of our final standing
In spite of the games won or lost
We've learned to get out there and "hustle"
And be ready when one comes across.

And we've learned in our winning and losing
The lesson that life has to teach
It's not how tall were you at the start
But how high have you learned to reach.

Be a Member of the Crowd

Now is your chance to become a member of the crowd that's not in line at the bank on payday. By signing up to have your paychecks automatically deposited in your account you can avoid the rush to the bank on payday and the crush within it. You may take advantage of this convenience by filling out the required forms at the Disbursing Office anytime during normal working hours before December 19th. Notary services will be available free of charge. Those who sign up during this period will have their paychecks deposited automatically beginning December 28th.

All requests now in effect will remain in effect unless a request for cancellation is received prior to December 5th.



OH! KNIGHT OF KNIGHTS—That appears to be the sentiment of Princess Marilyn Clark, as she gazes fondly at Roland Loudermilk, portraying the valiant knight who sets out to right all wrongs. Mark Moore (l) and Steve Sievert are the two squires who manage to innocently bungle every well intentioned deed. The comic burlesque of knighthood, by Beaumont and Fletcher, will be presented at 8 p.m. next Friday and Saturday at Burroughs High School by the Bakersfield Junior College drama students. Tickets for \$1 may now be obtained at the Burroughs and BJC offices, and next week at the Ridgecrest Chamber of Commerce and in front of the Commissary. The Station gate adjacent the Burroughs campus will be open for both performances.

New Little League Officers Face Heavy Schedule

A slate of eight officers was elected at the annual meeting of the China Lake Little League to lead the group for the 1963 season. Re-elected as President was Bob Freedman, who will be assisted by Vic Davis in the newly created office of Executive Vice President.

Vice Presidents directing operations of the four divisions which comprise the League are: Jim McGlothlin for the major league; Marv Warner for the minor league; Bert Andreasen and Jack Sickle will assume management for one division each of the T-Ball League. Completing the slate of officers are Carmen Davis as Secretary, and Syd Sheffler as Treasurer.

Items discussed included rewriting of the organization's constitution to provide for the necessary expansion of League activity, agreement to serve as host for '63 District Turney, dedication of a diamond at Snackenburg Field, and construction plans for completion of the diamonds.

It was reported that construction work on the diamonds resumed in October and fathers are asked to contact Bob at Ext. 72683 or Vic Davis at FR 5-4381 if they can spare a few hours on weekends, or perhaps on other days.

For the next several weekends, there is an urgent need for block layers, assistants to mix mortar, laborer help for lifting and holding pipe during welding operations, a fairly large crew for stringing the fence, roofing of the dugouts, installation of player benches, and electrical work for internal wiring.

She: "I'm living in a dormitory at college."
He: "A dormitory? What's that?"

She: "You know what that is don't you? What's you sleep in when you were in the Navy?"
He: "My skivvies."

BJC Placement Tests Scheduled

Students planning to enter the Desert Division of Bakersfield College in the spring will be given placement tests next week in the library at Burroughs High School. The English Classification Test will be held Dec. 4 at 7 p.m., and the School and College Ability and Reading Tests are to be given Dec. 5 at 7 p.m.

Dean Omar H. Scheidt announced that the tests, which are used for counseling and guidance purposes only are used by the tests before admission.

PIN - UP SET

Station Hospital
LUCK, Billy Ray II, 5 lbs., 14 ozs., born to Mr. and Mrs. Billy R. Luck, SN, of 205-A Dibb Rd., on Nov. 14.

LOVE, Austin James II, 6 lbs., 12 ozs., born to Mr. and Mrs. Oscar D. Love, ABF3, of 215 Bonita on Nov. 14.

BONDS, Johnny Ray, Jr., 7 lbs., 6 ozs., born to PFC and Mrs. John R. Bonds, MC, of 56-B Ringgold on Nov. 15.

ABUTIN, Hilario DeCastro, 7 lbs., 7 ozs., born to Mr. and Mrs. Modesto T. Abutin, SK2, of 218 Dorado on Nov. 17.

LAKEY, Rene Kathleen, 6 lbs., 11 ozs., born to Lt. and Mrs. Jimmie D. Lakey of 505 Kearseage on Nov. 17.

ANDERSON, Katherine Annette, 7 lbs., 6 ozs., born to Mr. and Mrs. Donald J. Anderson, ET1, of 331 Bonita on Nov. 17.

MORGAN, Mark Allen, 7 lbs., 6 ozs., born to Mr. and Mrs. Marvin E. Morgan, AQF3, of 316 Robalo on Nov. 20.

AQUINO, Christopher Michael, 8 lbs., born to 2nd Lt. and Mrs. Richard G. Aquino, USAF, of 304-A Independence on Nov. 20.

Ridgecrest Hospital

DALE, James Michael, 8 lbs., 5 ozs., born to Mr. and Mrs. James C. Dale of 200 Moyer St. in Ridgecrest on Nov. 9.

JOHNSON, Sara Elizabeth, 6 lbs., 11 ozs., born to Mr. and Mrs. William C. Johnson of 100-B Fowler on Nov. 10.

WOODWORTH, Paul Horace, 7 lbs., 3 ozs., born to Mr. and Mrs. William H. Woodworth of 213-B Fowler on Nov. 10.

SHANTLER, Valeria Jane, 7 lbs., 11 ozs., born to Mr. and Mrs. Louis G. Shantler of 128 Robertson Rd. in Ridgecrest on Nov. 11.

BECK, Mark Stephen, 8 lbs., born to Mr. and Mrs. Milo H. Beck of 245 Sunset Place in Ridgecrest on Nov. 11.

RIVETTE, Denise Elaine, 8 lbs., 2 ozs., born to Mr. and Mrs. Paul G. Rivette of 207-A Wasp Rd. on Nov. 12.

MELLINGER, Melissa Gay, 7 lbs., 2 ozs., born to Mr. and Mrs. Marvin E. Mellinger of Ridgecrest on Nov. 15.

DEFFES, David Michael, 5 lbs., 11 ozs., born to Mr. and Mrs. Jules J. Deffes of 308 Intrepid on Nov. 16.

SEEGMILLER, Kirk Frank, 8 lbs., 15 ozs., born to Mr. and Mrs. Dennis F. Seegmiller of 206-A Lauritsen on Nov. 16.

WEINLAND, Audrey Bernadette, 6 lbs., 7 ozs., born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Weinland of 311-B Burke Rd. on Nov. 16.

BICKFORD, Suzanna Therese, 6 lbs., 14 ozs., born to Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Bickford of 45-A Sykes on Nov. 16.

DESKINS, Theresa Lynn, 6 lbs., 13 ozs., born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Deskins of Ridgecrest on Nov. 18.

MCCARTY, Michele Jay, 7 lbs., 4 ozs., born to Mr. and Mrs. Michael J. McCarthy of Ridgecrest on Nov. 20.



CONGRATULATIONS, CHAMP! Station's 1962 golf champ Leo Enriquez (right) gets dual congratulations from his runner-up, Gus Meade (left) and Capt. Charles Blenman, Jr., Station Commander. Already wearing the crown from 1958, Enriquez will have name engraved on perpetual trophy.

NEW CHAMP!

Enriquez Paces Record Field to Links Crown

Leo Enriquez parlayed a triple birdie round and a 25-foot putt in his final stanza on the local links last weekend to edge out Gus Mead for the Station golf crown in the windup phase of the 1962 golf finals.

The popular, ex-Pasadena NOTS employee paced a record field of 172 competitors to gain his second championship laurels. He had previously swept the field in 1958.

Runnerup Gus Meade led the Championship Flight that went into the late daylight hours Sunday, wrestling the lead from Enriquez time and again, only to lose the final hole on a spectacular "lucky shot," according to the Station's new golf champ.

Club Pro Paul Someson, reviewing the annual local classic this week, said this year's tourney spelled out the bright future in golf that China Lake linksters face.

"Anytime a club gets this many tournament golfers out for a match, we're in good shape!" exclaimed Someson.

Captain Charles Blenman, Jr., Station Commander, awarded trophies preceding a buffet supper prepared by club wives.

He paused briefly during the award presentations to express his regrets that one of the winners, Jonathan Rice, was not in the audience. He recalled that Rice was critically burned during an accidental industrial fire early last week.

(Late information disclosed that Rice passed away early Thursday morning.)

Trophies and certificates were awarded to the following during the presentation ceremonies:

Championship Flight
Winner Bobby Kochman — Runner up Rol Vorhees; 1st Flight Winner Burt Smith — Runner up P. S. Wiggins; 2nd Flight Winner Bob Bracken — Runner up Russ Cotter; 5th Flight Winner Ellis Austin — Runner up Frank McElfish; 4th Flight Winner Ray Harrison — Runner up Russ Cotter; 6th Flight Winner Andy Berthelson — Runner up Len Liewinko; 7th Flight Winner Earl Smiley — Runner up Colin Taylor; 8th Flight Winner Stanifer — Runner up Bob Millett.

Most of the nation's sports writers give Navy the edge by one point. But, all agree that this "is one game of the year when statistics don't mean much!"

Ladies Club Championship
1st Flight Winner Noma Turner — Runner up Pauline Van Dyck; 2nd Flight Winner Rhea Blenman — Runner up Edith Hill; 3rd Flight Winner Hazel Cooper — Runner up Helen Clark.

Consolation Flight
Winner Dovie Hampton — Runner up Gus Meade; 1st Flight, Runner up Carolyn Kruse.

He sounded this note of disappointment for "early-bird" golfers who are accustomed to starting their game with the rising sun.

Someson said the local turf's greens would be ruined by patrons walking on them while they're still frozen. He recommended that players hold up play until the signal is given daily from the club house that the course is open for play.

	Dec. 14	Dec. 15
"A" Tourney at Bakersfield	Dec. 19-22	Dec. 26-28
Alumni at Burroughs	Dec. 29	Jan. 5
Lone Pine at Lone Pine	Jan. 5	Jan. 8
Trona at Trona	Jan. 12	Feb. 1
Arvin at Arvin	Feb. 1	Feb. 23
Foothill at Burroughs		
Foothill at Bakersfield		

League games are scheduled as follows:

Barstow at Burroughs	Jan. 11
Victor Valley at Victor Valley	Jan. 18
Antelope Valley at Burroughs	Jan. 19
Palmdale at Palmdale	Jan. 25
Barstow at Barstow	Feb. 2
Victor Valley at Burroughs	Feb. 8
Antelope Valley at Lancaster	Feb. 15
Palmdale at Burroughs	Feb. 22

TEMPERATURES

	Max.	Min.
Nov. 23	65	38
Nov. 24	68	35
Nov. 25	70	39
Nov. 26	67	38
Nov. 27	76	57
Nov. 28	70	36
Nov. 29	69	37



RIM SHOTS

By BILL VALENTEEN

Oh, those Trojans! They did it, again! I'm sure everyone knows by now about the haircut received last weekend by UCLA in the Coliseum. That's what I call adding salt to the wound. Troy hosts Notre Dame tomorrow in what promises to be the game of the week. Notre Dame has beaten Oklahoma, Navy, Pitt, North Carolina, and Iowa, averaging 30 points a game in their last four starts.

The Bowl games seem to be all lined up. SC will be in the Rose Bowl, of course, against Wisconsin. Texas goes against LSU in the Cotton Bowl. The Sugar Bowl will host Mississippi and Arkansas in New Orleans and Oklahoma will play Alabama in the Orange Bowl. Alabama has to get by

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EXCAVATION CONTINUES—Southwest Museum personnel uncover Indian artifacts in excavations at San Clemente Island. Latest finds include pendants, beads, and carvings.

Local Museum Continues Excavation at Island, Indian Artifacts Uncovered

Pendants, beads and carvings were uncovered last weekend as Southwest Museum personnel continued excavation of an Indian burial site at San Clemente Island.

The work at the Island is adding much information to the knowledge of Indian life on the Channel Islands reports Bruce Gandy of the Southwest Museum.

The work this trip also uncovered an arrowhead, considered to be rather unusual as very few have been found on the Island. This in itself is considered significant, as it is believed that many bloody battles took place in those far past years between the Islanders, and between the

Islanders and Mainlanders.

The work this week completes excavation of the site which a few months ago produced a skeleton of at least 500 years of age.

Many of the finds on San Clemente Island as well as numerous other exhibits depicting Indian life may be seen at the Southwest Museum in Highland Park.

Working with Museum personnel over the weekend were NOTS amateur archeologists — Don Sanchez, Jim Wolff, Herb Summers, August Jakubiec, and Earl Kirkbride.

Several other sites at the Island have been selected for future exploration by the Museum.

Send Them In Says Chairman.

Your Creative Ideas Needed in Beneficial Suggestion Program

A golden opportunity awaits you — each and every employee of NOTS. By participating in the Benny Sugg Program, you not only add your contribution to the mission of the Nation but you benefit monetarily as well.

The Benny Sugg Program was formulated so that all employees could be heard through the submission of creative ideas that could initiate new weapons, improve Fleet services or ordnance, improve procedures, eliminate health and accident hazards or save money, materials or time—all adding to the effectiveness of the Station.

This challenge, reports Milt Blatt, Chairman of the Underwater Ordnance Department Beneficial Suggestion Committee, has been taken up by many employees. These contributors of

Ideas on Areas for Benny Suggs

IMPROVING: Service to Fleet; quality of product; methods; procedures; tools and machines; equipment; performance of product or equipment; protection of property; safety; working conditions; employee morale.

COMBINING: Operations; procedures; materials; methods; records; reports; forms.

ELIMINATING: Unnecessary work; duplication; operations; breakage; waste; fire; health and accident hazards.

DEVISING: New tools; new equipment; new machines; new methods; new processes; new applications of old ideas.

SAVING: Manpower; money; materials; time; space.

REDUCING: Cost of material; cost of services; time of delivery (critical materials).

• Extended Duty Ends. WASHINGTON — The Secretary of Defense has authorized the Navy and Air Force to terminate the extension of tours of duty and to release those Reservists called to active duty in connection with the Cuban crisis. The active-duty extension for Navy and Marine Corps was ordered by the Navy Oct. 23.

About 15,000 and 2,000 Navy and Marine Corps personnel, respectively, were extended by the order.



PILOT UNHURT—Near tragedy was avoided when pilot in plane crash at San Clemente Island received only minor cuts and bruises. Plane is classed as a total loss.

Xmas at Disneyland

Bob Hollister, NOTS Pasadena's ESO Disneyland representative, passes along the following information for employees wishing to have their Christmas party at Disneyland.

Group sizes of 15 or more are required and parties may be arranged between December 5 and December 24.

The Christmas special is good for unlimited use of all adventures and attractions (shooting galleries excepted) at \$3.75 for children through 11 years of age and \$4.75 over 11. One adult sponsor is admitted free for each 15 children.

The parties must be pre-arranged at least 48 hours in advance.

Employees may call Bob Hollister at Foothill, or Disneyland Group Services Department at MADISON 6-8605 or KEYSTONE 3-4456, ask for extension 456.

Personnel Statistics

New Employees

Public Works — Ralph J. Chapman, Electrician; Frank E. DeVerna, Painter; and Glenn A. Lindquist, Truck Driver (Heavy).

UD — Ronald W. Larsen, Physical Science Technician; Colman Jilly, Mathematician; Douglas E. Hunter, Mathematician; and C. Elmo Gillett, Mechanical Engineering Technician.

Terminations

Supply — Evelyn B. Fuqua, Clerk-Typist; Lisbeth J. Haviland, Procurement Clerk; and Carolyn E. Martz, Clerk-Typist.

Personnel — Jean Hayden, Clerk-Typist.

Public Works — Robert L. Lindsey, Mobile Equipment Dispatcher; James O. Randolph, Leadingman Transportation; and James R. Brumley, Rigger.

UD — Gene R. Anderson, Mathematician.

So all employees, put on your creative caps and actively participate in this employee program!

SecDef Urges Conversion Of Pay Raise To Bonds

Safety glasses aren't going to protect your eyes unless you wear them.

Pilot Escapes Injury In Plane Crash at Island

Gerald T. Sullivan breathed a sigh of thanks as he walked away from his mangled single-engine airplane at San Clemente Island on November 16. It was a close call with tragedy.

The crash occurred on landing at Sherman Field as he was caught in a 25-30 knot crosswind which flipped the Cessna 170 with a complete roll onto a parallel runway.

The plane was completely demolished.

Polaris Anniversary Message

All Special Projects field activities this week received the message quoted below from Rear Admiral I. J. Galantin, Director, Special Projects:

"Today marks second anniversary of Polaris as operational weapon system. This date 1960 USS George Washington deployed as the vanguard of a deterrent force which only last month played a significant stabilizing role in a time of crisis. Eight SSBN now deployed. The Navy and the Nation counts on the season skill, and demonstrated dedication of the FBM Navy-Industry team to continue your remarkable record of achievement. The goals ahead as we work to complete and deploy the thirty-three more SSBN now programmed will call for the best from all of us. I am confident we will meet the challenge. Congratulations on this anniversary which is rightly as much a source of pride to you as to the Navy."

Editorial

SecDef Urges Conversion Of Pay Raise To Bonds

A memorandum has been issued for all employees of the Department of Defense by Robert S. McNamara, Secretary of Defense, endorsing the advantages of the Payroll Savings Plan through the purchase of U.S. Savings Bonds.

"I urge all employees to give consideration to investing a portion of their additional income resulting from enactment of the Federal Pay Reform Act of 1962 in the purchase of Savings Bonds through the Payroll Savings Plan."

"Regular and systematic payroll savings, small or large, provide a convenient and effective means for planning to meet future requirements of a major nature. At the same time these savings provide protection against unexpected expenditure brought on by family illness or other problems."

Signed: Robert S. McNamara

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THE ROCKETEER

MATURANGO MUSEUM

Local Backers Beat Deadline By 9 Years

By Jack G. Broward

Someone once told Rhea Blenman it would take at least ten years to develop a recognized museum.

Nine years ahead of schedule this week, the determined wife of Navy Captain Charles Blenman, Jr., announced tomorrow's dedication of the Maturango Mu-

seum, mostly employees here at China Lake, "whose knowledge of early day man and his environment has added authenticity to our displays."

Acre Heritages

Warming to her subject, she explained: "This is one of America's richest sources of true heritage."

Reflecting praise on the many museum supporters whose efforts she attributed to the development of the China Lake unit, the mother of twin sons admitted that the ceremonies scheduled Saturday morning at 10:30 represents "only the end of North American man."

Shifting to those whose efforts have helped develop the local museum, Mrs. Blenman praised

nine sections that span a one-million-year period of life in the upper Mojave Desert.

Appointed as curator of the Museum, Sylvia's enthusiastic energies, according to Museum officers, are credited with the early opening.

Praises Aid

Mrs. Blenman praised the

numerous professional author-

family groups," commented the Museum's Curator, Sylvia Winslow.

Early membership campaign organizers, led by Technical Information Department's Ken Robinson, directed efforts of the Museum's appeal to "all area residents, both young and old," Sylvia explained.

Captain Blenman, NOTS Com-

mander, gave the community project his early endorsement at inception stages.

Reflecting on its progress and dedication tomorrow morning, the Navy four-striper recalled the group's occupancy of a vacant quonset hut, adjoining the adjacent city of Ridgecrest and China Lake.

"We always felt that the Navy was privileged to be a part of this historic area in America."

Unifies Community

"There's no question that projects of this nature do much in unifying the cultural interests within our community and strengthen ties between our Navy employees and the adjoining city of Ridgecrest."

"I am delighted to extend my personal congratulations to

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COMMUNITY PROJECT

members of the Board of Directors of the Museum and all whose efforts helped speed completion of this project!"

Scheduled to deliver addresses at the dedication event will be Charles Scholl, President of the Death Valley Forty-Niners, Richard C. Bailey, Director of the Kern County Museum at Bakersfield, and Captain Blenman.

Big Turnout Predicted

In the audience will be an expected turnout of at least 200 members, recruited since mid-Summer.

And Board of Directors, headed by a junior high school teacher, Clarence Willey, serving as the Museum's charter President, in addition to Vice President Alice Hirsch, Secretary Billie Hise, Treasurer Ken Miller and Board members Burke West, Joe Fox, LaV McLean and Ken Robinson, former treasurer.

The most appreciative audience will not be present. That's the generation yet to come . . . those for whom this museum was created . . . nine years ahead of schedule.

of valedictorian of her high school graduating class in Seymour, Texas. This was followed by a scholarship to the Rice Institute in Houston where she also earned honorable mention for the highest scholastic record at the end of her junior year. She graduated from Rice with honors in physics, completed her work for the MA degree in 1938, and received her PhD in physics in 1940.

Since then, her career has been punctuated with significant contributions in the field of physics for government agencies, professorships in universities, and has written technical papers on research achievements. Dr. Rogers has been employed at NOTS since 1949 except for three years when she left to head the Science Division at Columbia College, So. Carolina, and one additional year as lecturer of physics at the Royal Technical College, Salford, England.

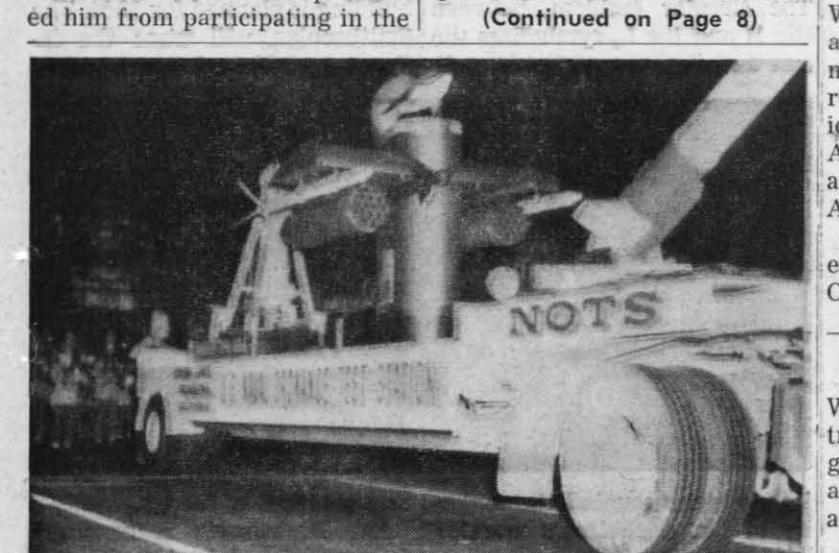
Final Sessions Of Advisory Board Convened for 1962

Members of the NOTS Advisory Board concluded a three-day conference this afternoon in a special Michelson Laboratory meeting.

Composed of prominent educators and industrialists, the board meets twice annually, the last meeting being held here in April. During the current session which started Wednesday, R&D programs were studied jointly by board members and NOTS officials.

Participating board members were: Dr. Herbert L. Anderson, director of the Enrico Fermi Institute for Nuclear Studies, University of Chicago; Robert L. Biggers, Bloomington, Ill., management consultant and former Chrysler Corporation vice president; Dr. Norris E. Bradbury, director of the University of California's Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory, and Henry Dreyfuss, nationally known industrial designer.

Dr. W. H. Pickering, director Jet Propulsion Laboratory, Pasadena; Dr. Ithiel De Sola Pool, political scientist; F. N. Spiess, acting director, Scripps Institute of Oceanography, San Diego, and Rear Admiral F. S. Withington, USN (Ret.).



NOTS ENTRY — Newly completed float displaying weapons developed by NOTS and highlighted with "Notty," the Red-nosed porpoise, was a featured attraction this week during the annual Christmas parade at Bakersfield. In the throngs that witnessed pre-Yule event were many China Lake residents, including Capt. Charles Blenman, Jr., ComNOTS.

Furlough Rates

WASHINGTON — Servicemen travelling on leave in uniform get a break on all U.S. railroads, and those using eastern lines get a double break on Nov. 15.

All the railroads extended the furlough rates from the present Dec. 31 deadline. In addition, when the 10 percent transportation tax was abolished Nov. 15, the eastern railroads raised fares by the amount of the tax, but did not increase the furlough fares.

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

Hammerskjold's Stamp

By Chaplain Robert C. Fenning

A European reporter writes to his home paper that only in the United States could so much attention be given to a flaw in the first printing of a postage stamp, especially in view of the recent Cuban crisis and general world unrest. But what happened in the case of the 4 cent stamp is issued in memory of the late United Nations' Secretary, General Dag Hammerskjold, is validly newsworthy for a number of reasons.

Beyond the mistaken printing itself, and the attempt on the part of a Mr. Sherman to secure a restraining order prohibiting the Postal Department from extending the issue, the fact is that in this episode one of the significant problems of human existence is dealt with in a most unusual manner.

What will men do about their mistakes? Postmaster General Day has shown us that if you make an error common by compounding it, no one will get rich as a result of it or pay much attention to it. Some will get terribly upset, of course, because they have conditioned themselves to believe that this mistake has become exclusively theirs. But otherwise, no harm seems to have been done.

It is interesting to contemplate what would happen if all human errors were dealt with in this permissive manner. Let us say that you are writing a

letter. You discover you have misspelled a word. Would you rather stop and correct it, or would it perhaps be better to go on misspelling all subsequent words? One thing is certain if you choose the latter course, nobody will pay much attention to that first misspelled word.

If you want to know why faith in God survives in the face of many claims that it has outgrown its usefulness in this modern day, you will find that one reason relates to what men do about resolving their mistakes.

Many troubled moderns have found healing in the reassuring words of a merciful Lord: "Thy sins be forgiven."



Christian Science (Chapel Annex)

Morning Service—11 a.m.
Sunday School—9:30 a.m.
Nursery facilities available

Protestants (All Faith Chapel)

Morning Worship—9:45 and 11 a.m.
Sunday School—9:30 a.m., Grove 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.

Unitarians (Parish Hall)

Fellowship Meeting—Sundays, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday School—9:30 a.m.



RAdm. J. Floyd Dreith



Capt. R. J. Faulk

CHAPLAIN CORPS OFFICIALS—The general public is invited to a reception next Tuesday, Dec. 4, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the East Wing of the Chapel honoring RAdm. J. Floyd Dreith, CHC, and Captain R. J. Faulk, CHC. Adm. Dreith, Director of Chaplains Division, Bureau of Naval Personnel, Washington, D.C., and Capt. Faulk, District Chaplain, 11th Naval District, San Diego, will visit NOTS on their tour of West Coast government installations following their trip to San Diego yesterday where they attended the Chaplain's Corps' 187th birthday celebration. The reception is sponsored by the Men's Club of the Chapel.

OCTOBER HOUSING ASSIGNMENTS

Type	Priority Level Reached	Hire Date of Employee Assigned	Assigned
Hill Duplex (3)	C	7-31-59	
Juniper (3)	D	12-27-55	
Old Duplex (2-LBP)	H	10-23-52	
Old Duplex (2)	H	6-25-62	
Wherry (4)		11-16-56	
Wherry (3)	I	12-30-57	
Wherry (2)	I	10-15-62	
Normac Duplex (3)	D	9-8-52	
Normac Duplex (2)	C	8-7-57	
Normac (3)	I	9-16-46	
Normac (2)	J	6-2-55	
Normac (1)	K	8-23-62	
LeTourneau (2)	J	8-3-59	
Hawthorne (3)	I	8-22-55	
Hawthorne (2)	J	6-11-56	
Hawthorne (1)	F	7-24-50	
Apartment (2)	I	10-23-61	
Apartment (1)	D	4-15-46	
Apartment (0)	G	8-7-62	
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PROMOTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES**'DESERT PHILOSOPHER'****Nature Maintains Its Own Balance**

By "POP" LOFINCK



You have heard and read a lot about the balance of nature.

Here is a case where it was upset.

In the interests of protecting quail and chukar in the vicinity of my cabin, I killed several owls, thinking that they fed on the game birds.

It wasn't until after I had shot numerous owls that I realized that they fed primarily on rats and field mice. The thing that made me realize this was the abundance of rodents around my place after the owls were gone.

So, I added poison to oatmeal and left it out in the cabin and garage for the rats. Big, beautiful woodpeckers that nested in nearby trees and often fed on scraps of food that I'd leave out, got into the garage when the door was open and ate the poisoned oatmeal and died.

Well, chain reaction followed. Insects multiplied to pest proportions in trees formerly used by the woodpeckers, killing two trees and affecting others. Too bad! I think it must have taken thirty years for those trees to mature.

At this point, I decided to leave nature to itself. But I'm often reminded of how destructive man can be when it comes to tilting the fine balance that Mother Nature created in our universe.

Oh, I suppose the owls will regenerate and flourish and keep the rats under control. The woodpeckers will return to inhabit the trees, keeping the insects under control.

And, the sick trees that have not died will get healthy again.

But, now the moral: Find out what you are doing before you start meddling with the balance of nature.

A TRADEMARK**New Symbol Developed For Michelson Laboratory**

The new Michelson Laboratory signs, installed a week ago, culminated a long search for a symbol which will become the trademark of NOTS. The symbol can be used for all forms of printing, on metallic or plastic products, and lends itself to decal applications.

Hunting for the right design, the opinion of Henry Dreyfuss, NOTS Advisory Board member and noted industrial designer, was sought. He suggested several Southern California men capable of creating such designs. Of these, Salvatore Merendino, Professor of Industrial Design at the University of Southern California, was chosen for the task. Studying first the writings and equipment in the NOTS Michelson Collection, Merendino prepared many designs which were narrowed down by successive eliminations to the one selected.

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Collection Analyzed
Concurrently, the Michelson Collection is being analyzed, catalogued and readied for use by scientists and scholars under the direction of D. T. McAllister of the Technical Information Department. Exhibits highlighting Dr. Michelson's experiments, publications, papers, letters and honors will soon appear in the North Lobby of the Laboratory, where examples of his equipment are already displayed.

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Construction Told
Constructed of heavy brass, the vertical machine-cut, V-shaped grooves suggest the marvelous precision of Dr. Michelson's ruled diffraction gratings.

The circular emblem, between the M and the L, symbolizes the sun and its rays of lights, sub-

jects which occupied the majority of Dr. Michelson's working life.

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HOME CHECKS END**Record Number Of Fire Checks Made**

The 1962 Home Fire Inspection program drew to a close last week with a record number of dwellings checked for hazards, according to Fire Chief James A. Davis.

He said this year's home inspection program included checks of 3047 dwellings, a rise of nearly a thousand homes since the Navy assumed responsibility for overloaded electrical circuits and improper wiring," he commented.

Davis extended his department's appreciation to Station residents for "their splendid cooperation this year in conjunction with our home inspection program.

Davis pointed out that his department conducted the program with a crew of 20 men, maintaining fire crews on duty at the same time.

A report covering the program, which began Oct. 8 and ended Nov. 21, noted that 127 corrections had been made in cases of fire hazards checked last year.

Returns in IWV**United Fund Drive Near 80% Mark**

Climbing toward the 80 per cent mark of the pre-established \$40,000 goal, returns in the 1963 Indian Wells Valley United Fund drive were reported Tuesday by Ida Martin, campaign treasurer, to have hit a total of \$30,493.79.

The latest tally is an increase of \$4,907.56 over the figure reported last week, and a few more contributions are still expected.

The results of the drive now stand at 76 per cent of the \$40,000 goal, with the balance of cash on hand showing \$23,885.53 and pledges amounting to \$6,608.26.

No final breakdown on the contribution by various code divisions on the Naval Station was available this week, but Mrs. Martin estimated that of the total collected so far in the United Fund, approximately \$6,500 was given by businessmen and their employees in Ridgecrest and the balance has been contributed from the Naval Station.

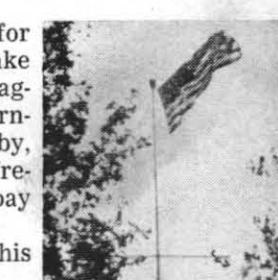
J. B. McKernan, general chairman of the 1963 United Fund campaign, and his two principal co-workers in the drive — Capt. J. W. Hough (at China Lake) and Kenneth Denio (in Ridgecrest) — all have noted with pleasure that the sum collected so far this year by United Fund solicitors tops any and all previous amounts brought in by past communitywide welfare drives.

Last year, for example, a total of \$21,784 was collected in the United Fund drive, and the year before the total was \$18,651.

You Can**'Quote Me'**

There has been a continuing need for stimulating interest within the China Lake area for a more active observance of flag-raising ceremonies, held at 8:00 each morning, and sunset ceremonies. Passersby, both on foot and in their autos, too frequently ignore this opportunity to pay homage to our country.

How would you suggest correcting this situation?



Bernard B. Carter, COM Manager

"As a new citizen here in America, I would hesitate suggesting that my fellow countrymen are in need of stimulation. I would say, however, to those who may be interested, this is the most wonderful country in the world. Maybe more people should be made aware of this fact."

**Sends Greetings**

HOUSTON, Tex. — Responding to a telegram sent to America's record-breaking astronaut, Wally Schirra, Jr., by the Naval Ordnance Test Station, the one-time China Lake Navy officer said:

"What a great pleasure it was to get your wire wishing me Godspeed and a safe return on my Sigma 7 flight.

"The pleasure was heightened by the realization that I can still come back to China Lake and see some of my old friends from the days when we fired missiles, rather than manned missiles.

"My best wishes to you all."

Condolences

Sympathies of the Naval Ordnance Test Station officials and his many friends are expressed to the family of Jonathan E. Rice, 44, who passed away Thursday at the Brooke Army Hospital, San Antonio, Tex.

An employee at the Propulsion Development Department here since 1950, Rice died from critical burns suffered from an industrial fire last week.

He is survived locally by his widow, Mrs. Bernice Rice, and a daughter, Charlotte Ann Rice, 14, a student at Burroughs High School, living at 408A Fowler.

Surviving members of his family include his father, Mr. Charles E. Rice, Weip