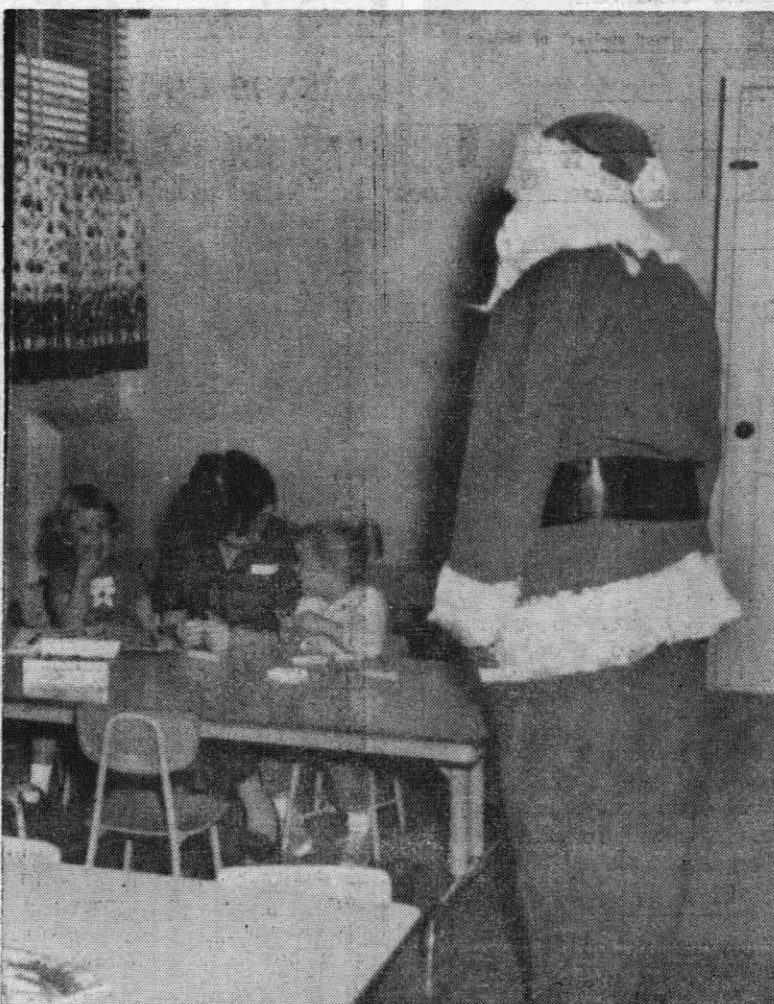


CROSSWORD PUZZLE

ACROSS 1-Chinese coins, 6-Attentive, 11-Concealed, 12-Daughter of, 14-Great Lake, 15-Charges, 17-Artificial language, 18-Conducted, 19-Couffrage-tions, 20-Card game, 21-Sour, 22-Bodies of water, 23-To walk in water, 24-Pronoun, 25-Poems, 26-Reveals, 27-Pedal digits, 28-European, 29-Twirls, 31-Nerve network, 32-Symbol for, 34-Paddles, 35-Sheaf folds, 36-Note of scale, 37-To mature, 38-Carried, 39-Article of furniture, 40-Sun goal, 41-Metal tubes, 42-Toward the, 43-Traps, 45-Singing voice, 47-To board, 48-Thin, narrow boards. DOWN 1-Cylindrical, 2-Sour, 3-Before, 4-French article, 5-Hits.



SANTA VISITS — Santa Claus puts in an unexpected visit to the Navy Exchange Child Care Center to the delight of the small fry. He will drop in one hour each day starting Dec. 12 through Dec. 21. All children who are registered at the Center are welcome to attend.

SHOWBOAT

FRI. 7 p.m. "A POCKETFULL OF MIRACLES" (108 Min.) Glenn Ford, Bette Davis. SAT. 7 p.m. "MATINEE" "COLORADO SUNDOWN" (67 Min.) Rex Allen. SUN.-MON. 9-10 p.m. "A VERY PRIVATE AFFAIR" (97 Min.) Brigitte Bardot, Marcello Mastroianni. TUES.-WED. 7 p.m. "THE SPIRAL ROAD" (139 Min.) Rock Hudson, Gene Rowlands. THURS.-FRI. 7 p.m. "THE LADY AND THE TRAMP" (78 Min.) Disney Cartoon Feature.

NEWS ROUND - UP

Dolphin Keel Laid PORTSMOUTH, N. H. — For a change, the Navy is building other than nuclear-powered submarines. The USS Dolphin, designed as a deep-sea diving vessel of an experimental class, had its keel laid here in early November and is scheduled for commissioning in 1964. Primary mission of the Dolphin will be to provide engineering data which will be used to design deep-diving combat submarines. She will also be used to evaluate advanced weapons and for oceanographic research.



DEDICATION CEREMONY — Maturango Museum dedication included welcome address by Capt. Charles Blenman, Jr., ComNOTS last Saturday morning, in addition to formal, ribbon-cutting ceremony in which Curator Sylvia Winslow and Rhea Blenman, museum director participated. Guests and members of museum heard speakers laud the "community spirit upon which this museum was founded" by guest speakers Charles Scholl and Richard Bailey. Museum hours are 6-9 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, and 1-4 p.m. Sunday.

Fashion Show Scheduled For WACOM Luncheon

A festive luncheon and fashion show will be featured at the December meeting for the Women's Auxiliary to the Commissioned Officers' Mess (WACOM) on Tuesday. Beginning with a champagne punch bowl at noon, the luncheon will be served buffet style, featuring turkey and ham. The price is \$1.75, and reservations are required. WACOM members may bring guests, and should call Mariel McEwan at NOTS extension 725812, Marge Ashbrook, NOTS extension 77154, or Eileen Newkirk, NOTS extension 77981, for reservations. During the luncheon, fashions designed and made by the local members of the "haute couture" will be shown. Mary Wickenden will serve as fashion coordinator and commentator for the show. Entering through an arch draped with lengths of material and flanked by dressmaker's dummies, the models will show the results of careful attention to the seamstress' art. Models will show informal

Seminar . . .

(Continued from Page 1) te) an ex-guerrilla fighter who gained his experience of guerrilla tactics with the 45th Philippine Scouts on Mindanao during World War II. The Shrike Program was outlined by Leroy Riggs, Head, Aeromechanics Div., Weapons Development Dept. An outline of the Moray Program by Lt. R. W. Montross, technical officer for the Moray project, concluded the day for the visitors. In Attendance Among those in attendance were: Cdrs. M. L. Smoyer, I. R. Schneider, C. P. Wilson, C. R. Wherritt, F. K. Prescott, E. M. Moss, E. J. Fraley Jr., G. P. Champion and E. A. Dorman. LCdrs. R. A. Petrofsky, H. R. Anderson, C. M. Stevens, R. O. Richardson, F. Connors, E. S. Hastings, W. E. Smith, R. D. Young, A. Jokela, C. F. Whitcomb, W. E. Leutloff, F. B. Rossi, M. B. Davis and R. M. Goss. Lts. R. H. Donlon, R. N. Taylor, C. J. DiPol, R. W. Shupp Jr., J. W. Tenney, P. R. Stang, R. E. Branson, A. J. Trochanowski, C. J. Pascaloff and W. T. Chater. Lt. (jg)s M. L. Weiss and E. M. Reuben.

Space Flights . . .

(Continued from Page 1) sled is traveling at a velocity approaching the speed of sound. Testing such as this is conducted on a continuing basis at NOTS, the Navy's major space age weapons research and development center in the Mojave Desert. Only through such painstaking attention to detail do Navy scientists, engineers and technicians, stay in the forefront of space technology. Army-Navy Museum Fund, Independence National Historical Park, 420 Chestnut St., Philadelphia 6, Pa. Checks should be made payable to "Philadelphia Council, Navy League of the United States."

BOOK CORNER

CONDOTTIERE By Jan Westcott In a Venetian square stands a statue of an armed warrior on horseback. He is Bartolomeo Colleoni, the most famous mercenary general of the fifteenth century. This exciting novel gives the story of his rise to power. SILENT SPRING By Rachel Carson Man's use of poisons to control insect pests and unwanted vegetation is destroying the balance of nature. The book is an alarming and provocative protest against the indiscriminate use of chemical pesticides. THE CLIMB UP TO HELL By Jack Olsen The north face of Mount Elger has always been a challenge to the world's best mountain climbers. So far eighteen men have been killed during attempts to climb its wall. This is the story of the ill-fated 1957 expedition and of the subsequent rescue efforts.

'Home Beautiful' at China Lake



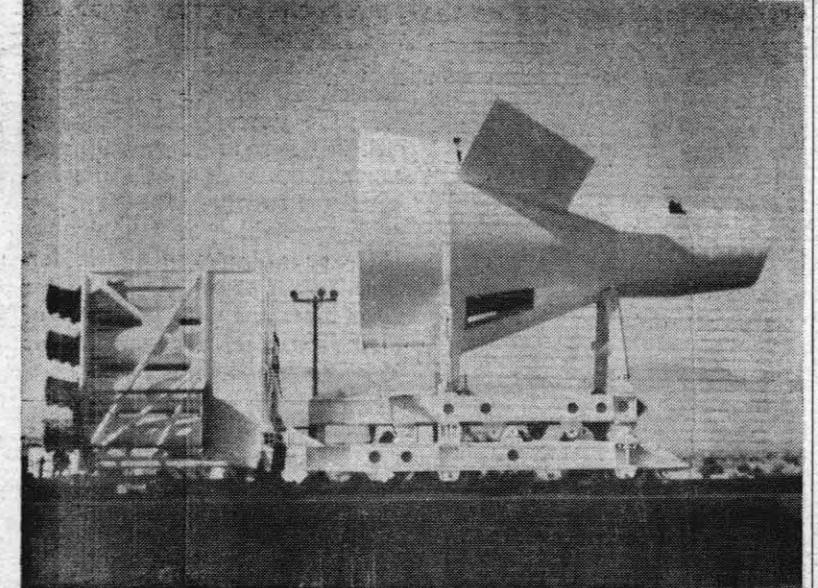
HOME PRIDE—The front yard of Jan and Tom Webster's residence at 311-A Princeton reflects meticulous landscaping which never fails to draw admiring glances. The Websters share the same avocation—garden-

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NOTS Engineers Aid Future Space Flights

By JOHN HUGHES Here at the U.S. Naval Ordnance Test Station, engineers today are aiding in the perfection of an ejection device for the safety of U.S. astronauts. Undertaken at the request of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, their role in project "Gemini," the development of a second generation spacecraft which will carry two men through space for a week or more, is vitally important to the project's success. The Gemini spacecraft is an enlarged and far more complex version of the Mercury spacecraft. Test Ejection Systems Members of the Test Department's Supersonic Test Division, directed by project engineer, Mario Falbo, have been conducting a series of seat ejection tests since July 1962. Their assignment — to test an ejection system which will permit safe evacuation in the event of serious mishap on the launching pad—during the initial spacecraft boost phase — and again, during re-entry. Using two life-like dummies instrumented with accelerometers and gyros to obtain seat-dummy acceleration and roll, pitch and yaw data, engineers have made the tests from a 150-foot high tower. Seat Design Told A series of sled tests are in progress which simulate ejection during flight. The seats have been designed and fabricated by Weber Aircraft, a Los Angeles sub-contractor to McDonnell Aircraft, prime contractor. A solid propellant rocket motor-catapult combination is used to eject the seats. Sufficient force is generated to throw the seat occupants 300 feet up from the pad and 7-800 feet out from the spacecraft to insure a safe clearance. A parachute returns the astronauts safely to earth. To Eject Dummy After completion of the developmental stage during which all the "bugs" are eliminated, the prototype seats will then be subjected to a series of off-the-pad and sled tests in the qualification stage. A mock-up of a Gemini spacecraft will be mounted on a sled and propelled down a 4-mile supersonic track at speeds in excess of 650 miles per hour. During the run the dummies will be ejected while the (Please Turn to Page 8)



MOCK-UP SPACE CRAFT — NOTS technicians and engineers are currently conducting work aimed at day Gemini will hurtle into space with two astronauts. Mock-up version, mounted on sled, is undergoing tests here related to seat ejection systems. Gemini will carry two men through space for a week.

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135 Useful Pages To Turn' Including Aaron To Zum

The new Station Directory, a fairly hefty, fact-filled book, made its debut last week. A phone book as well as a listing of employees and activities, it contains 89 pages with approximately 60 entries per page for NOTS China Lake employees alone. Leading the China Lake entries is Jay Aaron and the last name in the China Lake section is Edwin Zwierski which wouldn't fit into the headline of this article. Lead off man in the Pasadena section is Arvin Ackerman and the last entry is Luther Ford Zills. Shortest names in the three letter category runs something like this: Charles Joy, Harley Kay, Ray Lee, Stanley Kuss, Pearl K. Law, Robert R. Law, Stephen Lee, Thomas Lee, Corliss Lux, Charles May, Donald May, John, Arthur, and Elizabeth New, and Earl Yim. There are three Lindbergs listed, one is a pilot, and at least five names which reflect cities — Lancaster (Calif.), Lansing (Mich.), Lind (Wash.), Miles (Mont.), and Ogden (Utah). There is a Muse, a Major, and a Minor. One hundred and five pages of the book are required to list the code, building, and room numbers, opposite individual names, together with the office and home phone numbers, plus the home addresses. The yellow section of the directory holds a wealth of information, requiring 23 pages with about 132 entries per page listing every department, division, branch, section, and support activities. And if anyone gets lost around here, it won't be the directory's fault. It contains a map of the Station's streets and main buildings.

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QUOTE ME

Spiritual Return to Christmas 'Welcome'

Is the highly commercial world in which we live destroying the true significance of Christmas? Experts in the marketing fields claim that this year's crop of new Christmas card designs is an indicator. They say there's a trend developing that'll influence a return to traditional observances celebrating the birth of Christ. How do you feel about this?



Mrs. Mary Jane Heckenkempfer, 104A Byrnes: "My Christmas observance has never been too commercial, primarily because we simply don't get too commercial. I like to think that Christmas observances are pretty much up to the individual."



Mrs. LaNelle Thompson, 110A Knox: "Anything that subordinates the spiritual significance of Christmas should not be tolerated. I feel very strong on this subject and am delighted to learn that a trend toward a wider observance of Christmas as a spiritual event has been started."



Mrs. H. W. Fath, 54 Hubbard Circle: "I agree that commercialization is affecting our Christmas observances. Christ should be put back into Christmas. Compared with the more metropolitan areas, like Los Angeles, I think ours does enjoy a broader spiritual theme than others."



Mrs. Dorothy Booth, 309B Independence: "Somehow, it just doesn't seem like Christmas - in the way it used to be when we were kids. Maybe it was the way we all buy our children toys through the year. Then when Christmas comes, the joy of receiving gifts seems rather empty."



Warren J. Fisher, ADJ1, XV-5: "I think most people get a little carried away with their shopping, due largely to advertising influences. Through the years, Christmas has been permitted to develop into a commercial event, rather than the spiritual occasion that it truly is."



Bill Nash, TID, Presentations Division: "There's a tendency to be too commercial. And, I think it does detract from the true Christmas spirit we all talk about. I'm happy to learn that this trend is being reversed and feel that everyone would welcome a more traditional observance."

Andy Victor Named Standards Head



Andrew (Andy) Victor was named last week by Station management to head the Standards Lab of the Engineering Evaluation Division of the Engineering Department.

He reports from the Bureau of Standards, Washington, D. C., with which he was employed for six and one-half years before transferring here.

While a student at Swarthmore College he spent his summer vacations working as a physical science aide for the Army.

Following his graduation from Swarthmore with a B.A. degree in chemistry, he obtained an M.S. degree in physics from the University of Maryland.

He is the author of a number of articles on thermodynamics published in professional magazines.

He and his wife, Dot, are the parents of two girls, Lisa, 3, and Jean, 8 months.

Guarantee Per Diems Overtime For Work In Excess of Eight Hours

All of the government's blue collar workers are now guaranteed overtime pay for any work in excess of eight hours a day. Under the new law, an employee can work only a fraction of a 40-hour week and still get overtime pay.

As an example, if he worked 10 hours on Monday and was off sick for the rest of the week he would receive the two hours of overtime payment.

Community And Social News

By CHERI LAKE

Day of Recollection

A Day of Recollection is to be held tomorrow sponsored by the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine of the Santa Barbara Mission Parish from 8:30 a.m. through 3:30 p.m. The Reverend Joseph Pacheco of St. Rita's parish in Tulare will be director of the conference and spiritual lessons.

A luncheon break, scheduled from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., will be the only interruption in the day-long sessions.

Calling All Husbands

Take a lot of imagination, mix well with Christmas tradition, season with gaiety, stir with a husband, and what will you have? The Christmas decorating party at the Officers Club tonight at 7 p.m. The WACOM gals say that the husbands are essential for some tasks beyond the "weaker sex" in seeing that the Club is well decorated. Dress is casual - no stiff shirts or ties - so bring the husbands! There will be a bonus for them in Tom and Jerrys and special entertainment.

Children's Concert

The children's concert at the Station Theatre at 10 a.m. Saturday will feature the Desert Community Orchestra under the direction of Theldon Myers. The program will include the "Polka and Fugue" from the opera "Schwanda," Chopin's "Minute Waltz," "The Peer Gynt Suite No. 1" by Grieg, a Christmas medley presented by a bass choir, and "Ballet Parisienne." A group of modern dancers directed by Joan Leipnik will illustrate the various rhythms making up the ballet music, including the waltz, galop, and famous can-can.

Teenage Archery Contest

The 10th annual Junior Archery Tournament will be held tomorrow at 1 p.m. at the Archery Range at 57-B Rowe Street, according to Joe Stone, sponsor of the group. Competition will be between two age groups, those 9 to 11 years of age and 12 through 15. Trophies donated by the Rocket Bridge Club will be awarded those placing first, second and third in each age group.

Associated Student Body Elections

The local division of the Bakersfield College campus held their first Associated Student Body elections last week. The new officers are: Dave Benedict, president; Gary Osborn, vice president; Cheryl Robinson, secretary; and Eleanor Johnson, business manager. Representatives to the Student Council are: Helene Carter, Don DeWitt, Florence Green, Bill Pollard, and Roland Reynolds.

Navy Wives Club

Navy Wives Club members are reminded that a good turnout is needed for the meeting on Monday, Dec. 17, to help prepare for the Club's Christmas Party. Two members of the Club were presented with Navy Wives aprons at the monthly coffee hour held at Mrs. R. C. Fenning's home, the Club's sponsor. Recipients were Julie Degraw because she is leaving the area for Hawaii, and Frances Simpson because her husband has retired after 22 years of active duty.

Engineering Group to Meet at Lone Pine

Members of the desert branch of the American Society of Civil Engineers will travel to Lone Pine on Friday evening for the group's next meeting. Cdr. J. A. McAllister, Assistant Public Works Officer, will speak on "Construction Problems in Newfoundland."

OUT OF THE PAST

Syndicates Column

Even after his syndicated column was successfully launched under the by-line of Cliff Harrison serving a total of 628 weekly papers throughout the United States with one as far north as Cordova, Alaska, and one in Central America, he still continued to work for the railway. His tenure totaled 16 years before the

advent of World War II. During World War II he was busy as a technical writer until he came to NOTS in 1946.

Early NOTS Days

When he and his wife, Irma, came to NOTS they lived in one of the pre-fabs which were torn down this year. While living in their pre-fab a picture of their flower and vegetable gardens was featured in the Rocketeer.

His wife worked for the Public Works' Personnel Department for nine years before they acquired their present 21 acre ranch four miles north of Inyokern on Brown Road where they raise vegetables as a hobby.

The crowning event of the Harrison's lives came 29 years after their marriage with the birth of their first child, Stephan, who is now 18 months old.

Sixteen Ayrshire cows in Scotland suddenly stopped drinking from their trough and stopped giving milk. The mystery was solved when a veterinarian took a drink from the cow's trough and let out a yell of pain.

Electricians found a short circuit which connected the cow trough to the farm's electricity supply.

RECALLS RIGORS

Local Man Snorts At Modern-Day Physical Fitness

By BUDD GOTT

Oliver Harrison, a thinning haired, jolly 210 lb. fellow, who serves Codes 40 and 45 as a bustling equipment specialist, had an action packed life before coming to NOTS in 1946.

In his brief years, he has been a school teacher at the age of 16, walked across the continent twice, been a barn storming pilot, a crop duster in Hawaii, a technical writer, and had his own syndicated column in 628 newspapers.

A native of Missouri, Harrison on graduation from the eighth grade at the age of 16 took the State's teachers examination and passed it with flying colors.

The next four years was devoted to teaching the first to eighth grades in a country school until he decided it was time that he acquired a high school education.

Always athletic minded, Harrison's attention was captured by the famous sports promoter Charlie C. Pyle, often called "Cash and Carry Pyle," and his Bunion Derby of 1928.

Jobs were scarce, so Harrison fired with the ambition that he might finish in the top money, entered the 1928 Bunion Derby

which began in Los Angeles to end 3,667 miles later in New York City.

Took 80 Days

Harrison knows because he walked and ran every inch of it over a period of 80 days. Unfortunately he didn't finish in the money.

With the depression on in earnest, Harrison undaunted by

his 1928 performance entered Pyle's 1929 Derby which was run from New York City to Los Angeles via Highway 66. It took 88 days to cover this route.

Sponsored by Miami

This time Harrison had a sponsor, the town of Miami, Ariz., which helped to defray his expenses. On this trek, Harrison's average was 50 miles per day. The longest distance he covered in one day was 82 miles and the shortest was 21 miles.

He started the run weighing 186 lbs. and finished in second place weighing 139 lbs. Though he ended in second place he never received one cent as Pyle had filed bankruptcy.

Today, he holds no grudge against the late promoter, as he admires Pyle as the first big time sports promoter of football with "Red" Grange and the one to professionalize golf.

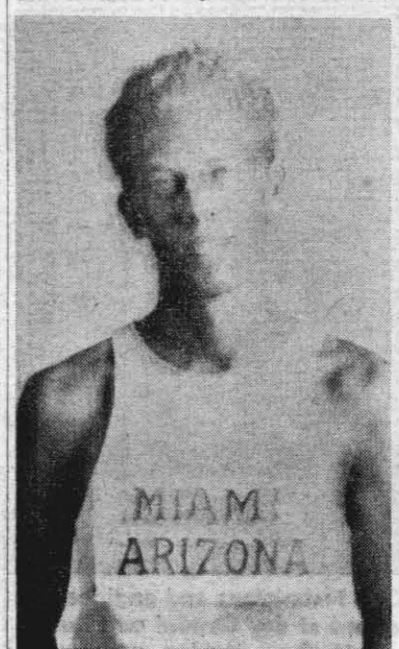
Hollywood

After his Bunion Derby days, Harrison spent several years working as a movie extra. It was during these years he conceived his "Around the World" column.

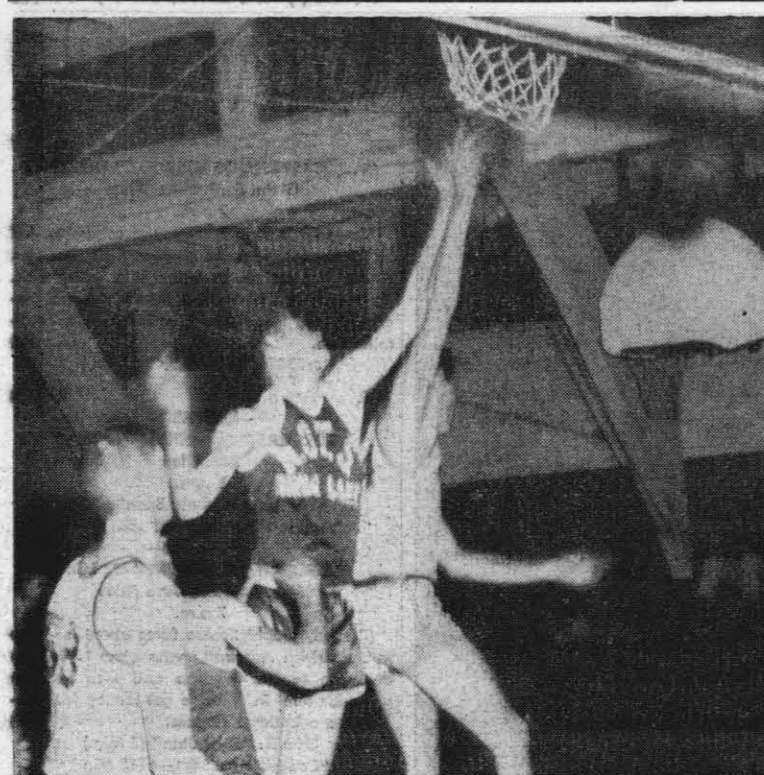
During the interim until his column achieved success, he found employment with the Los Angeles Metropolitan Railway.



Today



1929



CAGE ACTION—Local courts are filled with basketball action as season's pace quickens in intramural play. Six teams, representing Station departments, are pitted in action that will continue through Jan. 31. Games are played locally on Tuesday and Thursday nights.

Local Linksters Elect New Club Officers

Captain Bernard L. McCreery was voted incoming president at the China Lake Golf Club last Wednesday, succeeding Jim Greenfield and highlighting a week of activity that included a surprise "Beat the Pro" tournament held last Sunday.

Aiding the new prey in term of office will be Floyd Rochwell, vice president; Nona Turner, secretary; Warren Stelmiller, treasurer; and Doc Adams, 2-year Board Member.

The Sunday tournament pitted the trio led by club pro Paul Someson and including Capt. McCreery and Bill Van Duch against a field of 36.

Doc Adams, the "Hawaiian Eye," slammed home with a low net score of 65, followed by Jack Lewis and Bob Hill with 68. Leo Enriquez, Club Champ, and Frank McElfish tallied a 70, followed by Milt Wolfson's 72, Bob Driggs, Gus Meade and Larry Delancey's 73.

A tournament honoring scheduled visitors from the Beverly Hills Navy League Council has been cancelled due to postponement of the visit, according to Someson.

SEEN AND HEARD

Another Hero In Another Generation

When President Franklin D. Roosevelt declared Dec. 7, 1941, a "day that will live in infamy," many men and women brushed destiny to either live or die heroes. Army Air Force Capt. Colin P. Kelly, Jr. (West Point Class of 1937), was one of those who paid the supreme price of freedom. Capt. Kelly became America's first WWII hero when he crashed his bomber into a Japanese warship to brighten the glow of freedom and patriotism from coast to coast.

It was at decoration ceremonies for Capt. Kelly, that President Roosevelt announced an open letter to the President of the United States in 1958, requesting that President to appoint appoint Capt. Kelly's son, Colin, to the United States Military Academy.

Colin, the third, was 16 months old at the time, but learned at an early age of his father's heroism, and his waiting Presidential appointment. In fact, Colin says "I never considered going anywhere else."

Now a first classman at the Military Academy, Cadet Kelly went first to Dickinson College in Carlisle, Pennsylvania, where he took algebra, French, chemistry, and English. Then with thousands of others, young Kelly took the USMA competitive examinations and won his appointment the "hard way," which for him was the "right way."

Winning a commission was one ambition, singing with the Glee Club at West Point was another, and playing soccer was another. Right now, Kelly is - two for three, being Cadet in Charge of the Glee Club, and having won two numerals and two letters in soccer. The commission in either Armor or Infantry will come in June 1963.

Last Saturday though, Cadet Kelly and the Army soccer team would have traded them all for at least one goal against Navy. The Navy lads hustled to a 1-0 win over Army in the annual competition at Clinton Field, and Kelly as usual went the "hard way." He played forward and right half.

Coach Joe Palone, who's been at West Point for 18 years, and soccer coach for 13, says of Kelly, "he's a wonderful lad. Colin, who's only 160 pounds and stands six feet, is a wiry boy, and one of the most loyal, hard workers on the team."

Perhaps the nicest thing a person could ever say about anyone, is what Coach Palone says about Cadet Colin P. Kelly, III - "His hat size has never changed."

And while Army didn't win the soccer game with Navy, Cadet Kelly must know that a very special member of the Long Gray Line looks down on the Plain at West Point, and echoes, "You are a man, my son."

Annual Awards Go To 19 Bowmen At China Lake

Jack Nelson paced the field to shoot his way to A Class honors in the finals of the American round archery shoot held last Saturday. In the B Class standings were Ken Catcott, 1st place holder, followed by Bob Stedman and Ken Bryant.

Eleanor Huckleberry and Patti Beyer drew 1st and 2nd places spots in the C Class competition.

Announcing a Park Round meet to be held over a 3 week period starting Dec. 8 at 10:00 a.m. on the China Lake archery range, the China Lake Bowmen said all entrants must be classified by the NFAA Field Round to participate.

Annual awards were presented at a pot luck held last Saturday at the old archery hut. Receiving the citations were:

Flint Round Second Quarter Women's: Champ - Madge Bryant, A Class - Evelyn Grassing, B Class - Mary Franks, C Class - Patti Beyer.

Flint Round Third Quarter Women's: Champ - Madge Bryant, A Class - Patti Beyer, C Class - Eleanor Huckleberry.

Mens Flint Round Third Quarter: Champ - Jay Payne, A Class - Jerry Fiscuss, B Class - Lou Thompson, C Class - Terry Kovach.

First American Round: A Class - Jay Payne, B Class - Bob Stedman, C Class - Austin Dotson, D Class - Sheila Stedman. Annual Field Shoot: 350 Class - John Loper, 250 Class - Bob Stedman, 175 Class - Willie Rice, 100 Class - Bob Beyer.

SPORTS QUIZ

- 1. Who was last year's rookie-of-the-year in the American Football League?
2. Last year Wilt Chamberlain scored 100 points in a single game to set a new National Basketball Association record. Who previously held the record and how many points was it?
3. How many innings are needed to qualify for the Major League earned-run-average title?
4. Who holds the National League career record for most stolen bases?
5. Who holds the National Football League record for best punting average?
6. What two NFL players share the record for most touchdowns in one season?
7. Who is the tallest player in the National Basketball Association?
8. Who is the coach of the world champion Boston Celtics.
(Answers to Quiz)
8. Red Auerbach.
7. Wade Hatbrook, Syracuse Nationals, 7' 3".
6. Jimmy Brown, Steve Van Buren.
5. Sammy Baugh.
4. Max Carey with 728.
3. A minimum of 162 innings.
2. Wilt Chamberlain; 78 points.
1. Earl Faison.

TEMPERATURE

Table with columns for date, Max, and Min temperatures for Nov. 29 to Dec. 5.

RIM SHOTS by BILL VALENTEEN. After their crushing win over the Fightin' Irish, USC has been named winner of the MacArthur Bowl as the top college football team of 1962.

Bakersfield is mushrooming into a sizeable mecca for sports. Last Saturday saw Long Beach City College, the top small-college football squad in the country, sterilize Contra Costa in a 66-8 rout that netted them the 1962 Potato Bowl Crown. 20,000 people attended in spite of the array of competing sports activity in the area.

Speaking of Ice Hockey, servicemen can enjoy the fast action of the league-leading L. A. Blades at the Sports Arena for just 75 cents. Basketball is well into its regular season, but its furious light is as yet a bit dimmed by all the furor and continuing interest in Football. I have access to pre-season All-America picks and team standing outcomes, but I hate to use it.

Quick sketches of Note—Bill Russell, of the Boston Celtics, owns and operates a rubber plantation in Liberia, and is now the sole distributor of American Records in that country. Bob Cousy, playing his last year of pro basketball, says that by the end of the decade, no one under 6-5 will be playing pro basketball.

The Detroit Tigers, winding up their Japanese tour, have invited the Osaka Tigers to spring drills at their camp in Florida. After his rousing win over Gene Fullmer, Dick Tiger is expected to receive the "Fighter of the Year" award.

Now that football season is just about over, I wish to take exception to some of the equipment the high school players are forced to use in playing the game. One of the worst things that can happen to a boy when he is being tackled, is to be grabbed by the face mask and thrown down.

These face masks, that are supposed to provide protection to the face and mouth of the player, are in many cases the cause of unnecessary harm. It's true, there are rules that forbid grabbing the face mask, but these young men are not experienced enough to avoid grabbing them inadvertently.

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KEGLER STANDINGS

Table showing Mixed Foursome and China Lake Women's League standings with columns for Won and Lost.

Give once for many THE UNITED WAY

# NOTS Pasadena News

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APPROVING SMILES — The American way of life has agreed with Dr. and Mrs. Frank B. Sperling, pictured above with daughter,

Mona, and son, Frank, since they came here three years ago. They say, "Americans are so informal... not so tradition bound."

## West Berlin Family Compares Ways of Life After 3 Years

Dr. Frank B. Sperling, a Mechanical Engineer with the Applied Mechanics Branch of UOD's Propulsion Division, and his family will have lived in America three years next month. In reply to the changes in their lives, Dr. Sperling said: "We've enjoyed every minute of it. Our way of life is different in many ways, however."

Noted as perhaps the major difference is "everyday living." "Americans are so informal—not so bound by tradition. They are inclined to pursue individual desires more readily than Europeans."

Dr. Sperling's wife, Maja, added: "Everyone here is so friendly. We haven't felt like strangers at all."

**From West Berlin**  
The Sperlings came to NOTS Pasadena from West Berlin, Dr. Sperling being the first employed here under the Defense Scientist Immigration Program.

Their son, Frank, will be five years of age this month, and their daughter, Mona, will be three in January. "Mona's the only American in our family," Mrs. Sperling smilingly says.

Both children attend pre-

school where, of course, English is spoken. And though the Sperlings speak English fluently, they concentrate on German in the home so the youngsters have learned to understand and speak both languages.

Returning to their life here, Maja remarked on shopping: "The informality is carried over into shopping, too. It's delightful to be able to go into a shop and try on several articles of clothing without being obligated to make a purchase."

"Also grocery shopping is simplified. One trip a week is sufficient for my family since we have a large refrigerator in our home."

**Trading Stamps Not New**  
With shopping comes the question of trading stamps. Maja replied: "Oh yes, we have trading stamps in Germany but they are turned back to the issuing market or store for cash refund instead of a trading center where merchandise is offered."

Maja is also learning to cook American style though she observes that meat cuts are different and many things she has always cooked in her native land are not available here. She laugh-

ingly added: "There are no hot dog stands in Germany. The closest thing to it would be our bockwurst. It is sold like hot dogs."

Maja worked as a Physiotherapist for six years, including eight months in Scotland. She is concentrating on her family now but may, at some future date, return to her career.

**Learns to Drive**  
Since coming to America, she has also learned to drive, commenting "Comparatively speaking, not as many people in Germany drive, particularly women, because there are not as many cars. Though Frank knew how to drive, we did not own a car before coming here."

The Sperlings have recently taken up another American delight — camping. They have just taken their first camping trip—to Kelso Valley—and now plan to purchase all the necessary equipment. Though camping is very popular in Europe, they had not tried it before.

**Enjoys Travel Trend**  
Dr. Sperling adds: "We've taken to the seemingly typical travel trend of Americans, and have made one journey to Las Vegas. We thoroughly enjoyed this venture and plan another trip soon."

Do they plan to remain here? Dr. Sperling commented "The decision has yet to be made. We are not homesick though we miss not being near our family. Maja's sister will be here next month for a visit so right now we're looking forward very much to that."

Returning to the question, he remarked "It will be a very hard decision to make when the time arrives."

## Date Set For 2nd Flu Shot

Virginia Olson, Annex Nurse, has announced plans for a second "Flu Clinic" to be held at NOTS Pasadena on December 14, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. in the Dispensary.

Employees may plan to have their booster shot at that time, or if they missed the first clinic may have their first shot. Both are one dollar each. The clinic is sponsored by the Employees Service Organization.

## NOTS Hoopsters Edge Out Consolidate In The First Game of Season

NOTS Pasadena hoopsters edged out Consolidated Electro-Dynamics 33-32 in their first game of the season last week, in the Pasadena Department of Recreation League.

Up to the fourth quarter, the NOTS team held a 5-point lead. A fast-breaking final quarter saw the Dynamics team inch ahead 32-31. With 30 seconds of play remaining, Ray Brooks on a fast break brought in a basket to win the game by one point.

Team members invite all employees to come down for the games and give them a rooting section. Schedule of games are: (Day) (Date) (Hour) (Gym) (Opponent)

Mon., Dec. 10 — 7 p.m., PCC, Electro-Data Corp.

Thurs., Jan. 10 — 9 p.m., PCC, Jet Lab II.

Mon., Jan. 14 — 7 p.m., PCC, Electro-Data Corp.

Tues., Jan. 22 — 9 p.m. PHS, Bresee Church of the Nazarene.

Mon., Jan. 28 — 7 p.m., PHS, Pasadena Fire Department.

Tues., Feb. 5 — 9 p.m., PCC, Scholars — LaCanada Junior High School Teachers.

Mon., Feb. 11 — 9 p.m., PCC, National American Insurance Co.

Tues., Feb. 26 — 9 p.m., PCC, Scholars.

Playoff games will be announced upon completion of schedule.

## UOD Idea Men Receive Awards

Benny Suggs were awarded this week to four men of UOD's Product Engineering Division—Tomoaki Fujii of the Publications and Photo Branch and Ruleph J. Davis, Arnold M. Voge and J. W. Coyne of the Manufacturing and Product Engineering Branch.

Fujii's award of \$25 was based on improved method and safety factors in connection with alteration of a camera pad.

Davis, a Model Maker (Mach), received \$15 for his suggestion of "Bracket for Liquid Hone" resulting in improved method and safety.

Vogt received \$15 for suggesting "Relocation of shop air lines." He is a Model Maker (Machining).

Coyne received \$15 for safety factors in suggesting signs on hallway doors.

Awards were made by J. H. Jennison, division head, in an all-hands meeting last Monday morning.

## Plans For Annual Xmas Party Made

Employees Service Organization President Bill Peete has announced that plans are underway for the annual ESO-sponsored Christmas party.

Date set for the event is Friday, December 21, 5-7 p.m. at Eldorado Inn. Keep the date open!



## LAW IN ACTION

### IDEA MEN

Some ideas pay off big, and so you don't want them pirated.

Suppose your idea pays off. Can you protect it from someone else using it? Of course if any embodiment of your idea is patentable, you will have protection.

But what if it isn't? Can you get legal protection for your idea?

Not as a rule: One writer thought up a TV series about the highway patrol. He wrote some scripts for it and talked his idea over in "confidence" with a highway patrol employee. He wanted to look into the patrol's files for material.

Instead of helping the author, the employee took the idea to a TV producer who in return hired him as "consultant." Result: A TV show using the writer's idea.

The writer sued. The California court said he had no "property right" in the idea of using government files for a TV show. It was old stuff. His imparting the idea in "confidence" did not protect the idea.

The original idea man might have protected himself in advance by a contract. Even an oral contract would have given him some protection.

Of course you might patent the tangible development of

an "idea." As a rule, the idea man won't be protected until he ties his idea down to something tangible which can be patented or copyrighted or protected against breach of confidence.

Thus now and then, the idea man gets paid. One man made and turned over a new folding chair to a manufacturer. The manufacturer copied features of it, but paid nothing. He patented the chair himself.

The court said the manufacturer had "unjustly enriched" himself and should pay royalties for using the idea.

Other courts have said there is a breach of confidence; and that the idea was disclosed only on the understanding that payment would be made for its use. If so, payment must be made for the idea.



But even so, the idea must be tied down to something concrete. If the idea becomes a "trade secret," a patent or a copyright will afford protection. These have become "property." Ideas alone are hard to classify as "property."

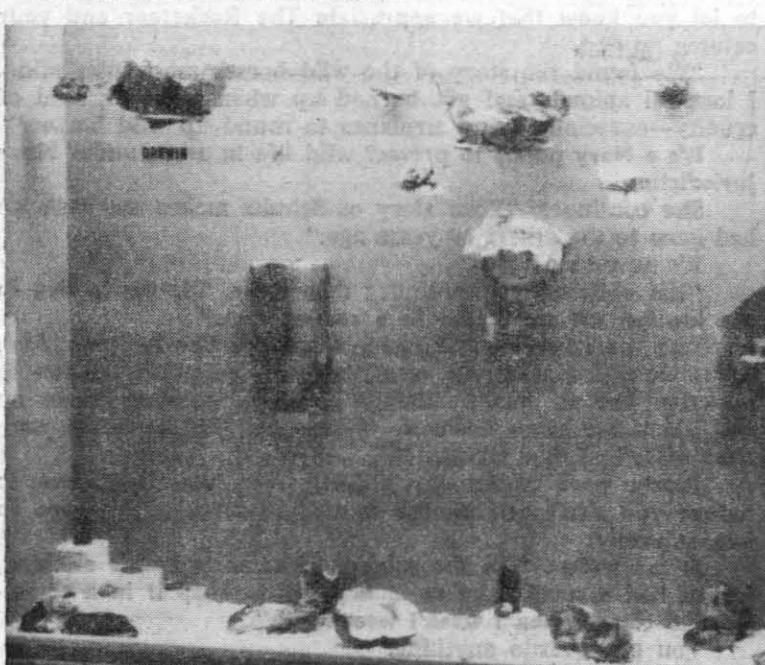
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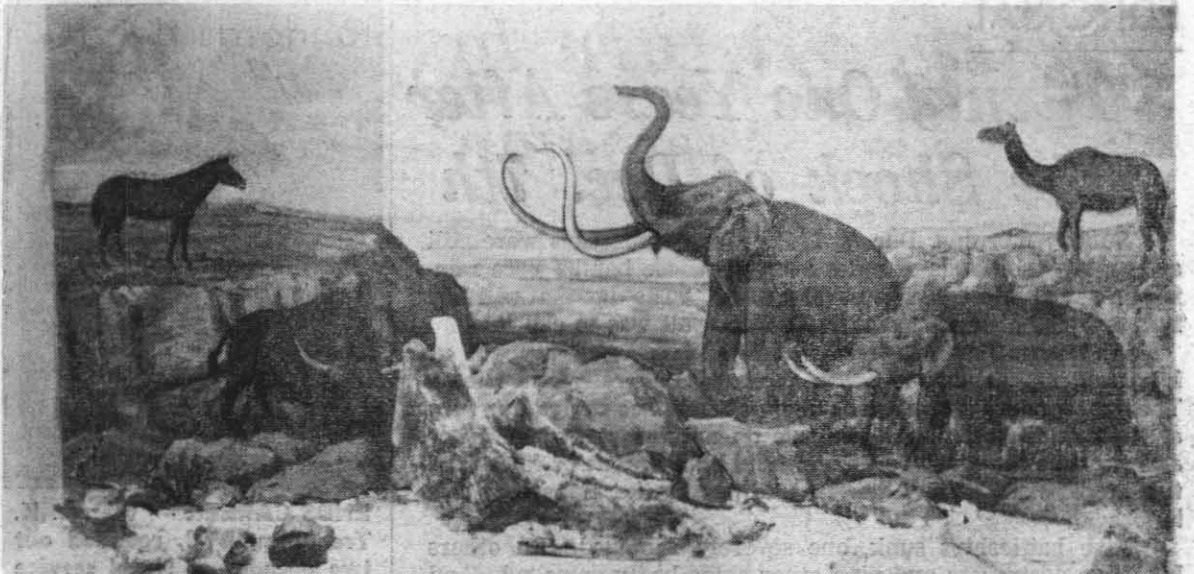
MUSEUM EXHIBITS include Paleontology, Ice Age Lakes, Archeology, Mineralogy, Golden Yesteryears, Special Exhibit, Petroglyphs and Bristlecone Pines. Planners express hopes of expanding this volume in years to come.



BRISTLECONE PINES exhibit, presented by Ken Robinson, displays oldest known living tree, reaching age of 4000 years. Display traces mankind with rings identified with corresponding dates and events in history of world. Rings on section of tree, depicting age, are identified with tags and correspond to calendar of historic events.



MINERALOGY EXHIBIT contains samples of gems and minerals found in the Trona-Boron-Indian Wells Valley regions. Semi-precious stones are displayed in uncut and polished form. The area is virtually a gold mine for the amateur or professional Rockhound. Each weekend sees visitors from the Southland combing the desert for specimens for their collections.



PALEONTOLOGY EXHIBIT features backdrop painted by Sylvia Winslow, Museum Curator, depicting animal life in upper Mojave Desert. Exhibit is highlighted by centerpiece, a jawbone over a million years old. Exhibit reveals the presence of camels, bison, deer and mastodon in desert areas as represented by bones that have been found over the years. Mrs. Winslow said exhibits would be changed periodically as materials are donated to form new exhibits.

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## OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

## Praise Heaped On Museum Backers

Kern County Museum Director Richard C. Bailey, in delivering a Maturango Museum dedication address last Saturday morning, said it normally takes "years of planning before a community museum can be even started."

"Citizens of Ridgecrest and China Lake, working in close harmony, have achieved this tremendous task in one year!" asserted Bailey, adding that he detected the spirit in his brief visit here "that symbolizes the foundation" on which the Maturango Museum was built.

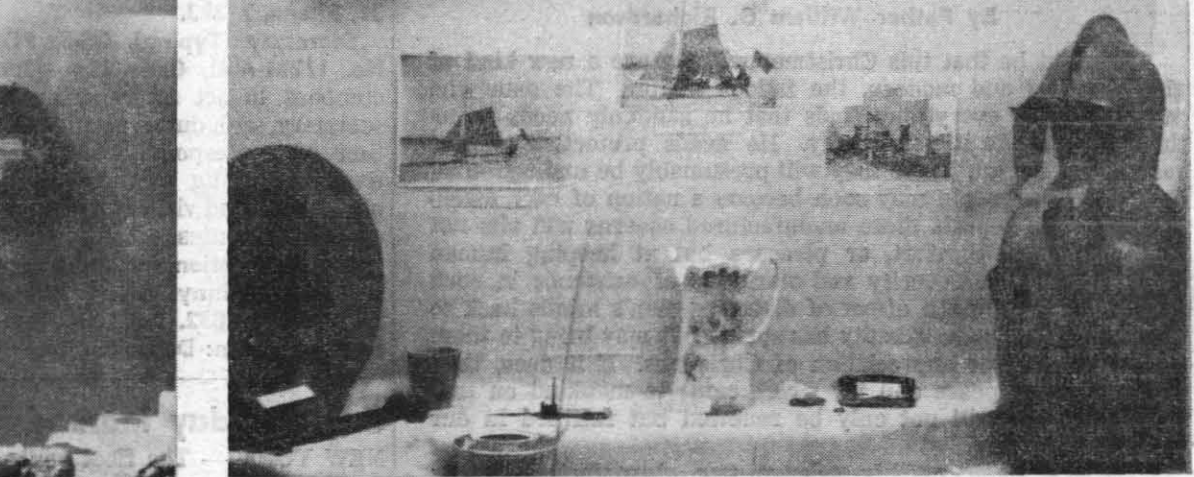
Competing with numerous Saturday morning events, not the least of which was the classic Army-Navy football game, the Museum dedication still attracted better than a hundred members and guests. Capt. Charles Blenman, Jr., ComNOTS, and Charles Scholl, president of

the Death Valley 49ers, added their words of praise in dedication talks.

Burke West, Ridgecrest attorney serving as master of ceremonies and one of the Museum's early-day backers, lauded "the many individuals whose efforts are culminated here today." He gave special praise to Museum Curator Sylvia Winslow for "dedicated, devoted time and energy for the benefit of the entire community."

The Museum is now open to the public on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 6 to 9 p.m. and on Sunday from 1-4 p.m. Friends of the Museum are currently serving as guides during these hours.

Mrs. Winslow said periodic changes would be made in exhibit materials with a featured attraction spotlighted.



GOLDEN YESTERYEARS display contains articles of more recent vintage. A Winchester rifle of 1886, breast plate and helmet with Arabic inscriptions dated to the 16th-17th century, a 1900 picture of Randsburg's "Elite Theatre" taken in 1900, a desert sailboat taken in 1904 in addition to gold panning equipment and materials found in this area over the years.



RECEIVE .00 HOUR PINS—Four local women who have given much of their time to Navy Relief were rewarded this week. Receiving recognition (l-r) are: Mrs. John Fizzaland, a 100-hr. pin; Mrs. J. A. McAllister, a letter of commendation; Mrs. K. H. Booty, a 100-hr. pin; and Mrs. Floyd F. Reck, a 100-hr. pin. The presentation was made by Capt. Charles Blenman, Jr., ComNOTS, to the ladies.

## 80% Mark Hit In United Fund Drive

Earlier predictions by campaign officials that contributions to the 1963 Indian Wells Valley United Fund drive would reach 80 per cent of the \$40,000 goal proved to be right on the target, a check of the latest returns in the welfare campaign reveals.

According to Ida Martin, campaign treasurer, the total amount of cash deposited in the United Fund is now \$25,178.04 and this, together with pledges totaling \$6,837.26, brings the grand total collected in the United Fund drive to \$32,015.30.

This week's returns are an increase of \$1,521.51 over the amount reported last week, and a few more dollars are still expected. J. B. McKernan, general chairman of the United Fund, stated.



CHAPLAINS VISIT—Capt. R. J. Faulk, CHC, and RAdm. J. Floyd Dreith, CHC, Director of Chaplains Div., BuPers, talk with NAF's Chief Thomas W. Nolan during a reception honoring the Chaplain Corps officials' Tuesday evening in the East Wing of the All Faith Chapel. Many of the Community Church members were present as well as Capt. Blenman, ComNOTS, to meet with the visitors.



CONGRATULATIONS — Receiving a Sustained Superior Performance Award is Roy Kartzmark (right), Aerospace Engineer in UOD's Systems Development Division. Eldon Dunn, Head of Analysis Branch, makes the presentation and offers his congratulations.

EDITORIAL

Twenty-One Years After The Shock of Dec. 7th

Sunday morning, Dec. 7, 1941. Many Americans were still asleep, but thousands of miles away Japanese bombs were raining on our greatest Pacific naval bastion.

And now, 21 years from that fateful day that brought us into the war, we look to Japan as our staunch ally and friend. The warlords are long dead and gone.

Remember Pearl Harbor—many of us in the Armed Forces do; we can recall vividly where we were, what we were doing, when the stunning, almost unbelievable news reached us.

For the flaming havoc of Pearl Harbor was superficial compared to the awesome damage an aggressor might inflict in the age of the atom.

On this Dec. 7, as in the past, we grieve for the brave men who died at Pearl Harbor. The hearts of all Americans will be attuned to the memory of those who will not have died in vain.

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

Modern Man's Christmas



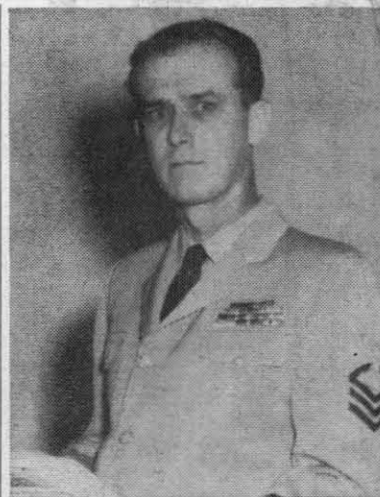
By Father William G. Richardson

It might be that this Christmas will feature a new kind of gift, practical and modern, the fallout shelter. The man who previously had everything finds that he suddenly needs something and needs it very badly.

Christ's whole earthly sojourn was characterized by its definitely transient character. There is that note even about his birth. He is born as one passing through, like a pilgrim or a vagrant.

The early Christians also seem to have had a weakness for caves. They used them for cemeteries. They found in the catacombs of Rome a place for meeting to renew the sacred mysteries of their religion.

The so-called free world stands under the ominous threat of atomic attack. The halo of hatred continues to surround the Church of Christ with violence, murder, and destruction.



ENDS CAREER — Warren K. Trenholm, BTC, rounded out two decades of Naval service last month while attached to Special Services department.

PROMOTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Present Station employees are encouraged to apply for the positions listed below. Applications should be accompanied by an up-to-date Form 58.

Gas Heating Equipment Mechanic, \$2.93 to \$3.17 per hour, Code 70433 — Installs, maintains, repairs and replaces gas burning equipment such as cook stove, water heaters, space heaters, furnaces, water and steam boilers; also evaporative cooling and water towers.

Electrician (Lineman) \$3.02 to \$3.28 per hour, Code 70432 — Installs, maintains and repairs electric wires, poles, supports, transformers and other equipment and accessories of electric power and light transmission lines.

File Application for above positions with Pat Dettling, Room 31, Phone, 71393.

Secretary (Typing), GS-5, PD No. 17211-AM, Code 85 — Incumbent to act as Department secretary, with duties of preparation of correspondence, directives, screening of mail, telephone calls and visitors, and general office duties.

File application for above position with Jinny Millett, Room 34, Phone 72032. Deadline date for application: December 14.

Sub Birthday Marked

NEW YORK — The fleet ballistic missile submarine, USS George Washington, world's first underwater nuclear missile-firing vessel, has celebrated its second anniversary of deployment.

Commissioned on Dec. 30, 1959, the Washington launched the first two Polaris missiles while submerged on July 20, 1960. Within four months, she was patrolling the seas with 16 Polaris ballistic missiles.



Christian Science (Chapel Annex) Morning Service—11 a.m. Sunday School—9:30 a.m. Nursery facilities available Protestant (All Faith Chapel) Morning Worship—9:45 and 11 a.m. Sunday School—9:30 a.m., Groves and Richmond elementary schools. Roman Catholic (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. NOTES 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.

'DESERT PHILOSOPHER' Mail a Reward For Columnist



By "POP" LOFINCK

One of the rewards I have found since starting this column is the complimentary mail I receive from many of the friends I have made over the years.

But, I welcome your opinions, whether they agree with what I've written or not.

Some of this mail and verbal comments, I think, is just as interesting as the material I've had published.

With the hope that you too will find some interest in some of these letters, I'm starting a policy of putting in my column some of the response it draws.

One fan challenges the authenticity of my statement that our chukars are from India. He thinks they were brought in from Hungary. Not true.

The chukar partridge (Alectoris Graeca) planted in California by the State Department of Fish and Game, were imported from Bombay, India in 1918.

The French partridge is the Alectoris-Rufas. The Hungarian or European partridge is Perdix-Perdix. The bob-white "quail" is a partridge (Colinus Virginda) of the same family as the chukar partridge. In New England states, called partridge, which is correct.

Range Rider "I've been over the rocks" Lupe Reyes writes, "Having a hobby of collecting bottles is nice, especially if you can collect them full from the better distilleries and breweries."

I agree. A fan in Beverly Hills writes, "Your column is excellent in every way. Your knowledge is invaluable and can't be learned in books."

"So glad you spoke up for the coyote. I don't believe in killing creatures. Have no sympathy with hunter goons with guns."

I'm delighted and flattered by her appreciation of my column. I hate goons with guns, too. And, it's good to know people who understand the distinction between sport hunting for food or pest control and killing something just because it is alive.

I'm not a vegetarian yet. If I eat meat somebody has to kill it. But, there's a big difference between killing what you eat and wanton slaughter of wild life. Moderation in all things, which comes under conservation. Wild game hunting is like harvesting a crop.

A fan in Santa Rosa, Calif., writes, "We can now take time to let you know that we appreciate The Rocketeer and your column no end."

"We found the story of the wild horses most interesting. I love all animals and get burned up when I see or read of cruelty—especially using airplanes to round up wild horses."

It's a Navy policy to protect wild life in areas under Navy jurisdiction. She continues, "Your story of Schultz makes me wish we had gone to the desert 40 years ago."

It's never too late. "His philosophy," continues this letter, "Better to live in the lowliest cot than pine in a castle alone."

"On the other hand, human beings are like boilers. And, the same rules, it would seem, have an equal application to affection and to steam: Making love and putting steam on will entail the same mishaps. When you get too much pressure, all is lost by a collapse!"

Pretty good philosophy. But, when you live close to nature you don't put on too much pressure. You learn to live naturally.

A fan writes, "On the subject of color in men's clothing, I once had a sport shirt so loud I had to keep it in a sound-proof closet when I wasn't wearing it."

You can overdo anything. Well, my friends, that's all for now. Tell me what you think about this new policy.

Quote of the Week

"She would rather light a candle than curse the darkness and her glow has warmed the world." — U. S. Ambassador to the United Nations, Adlai E. Stevenson, in tribute to the late Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt.



French Stamp Glue To Be Mint Flavored

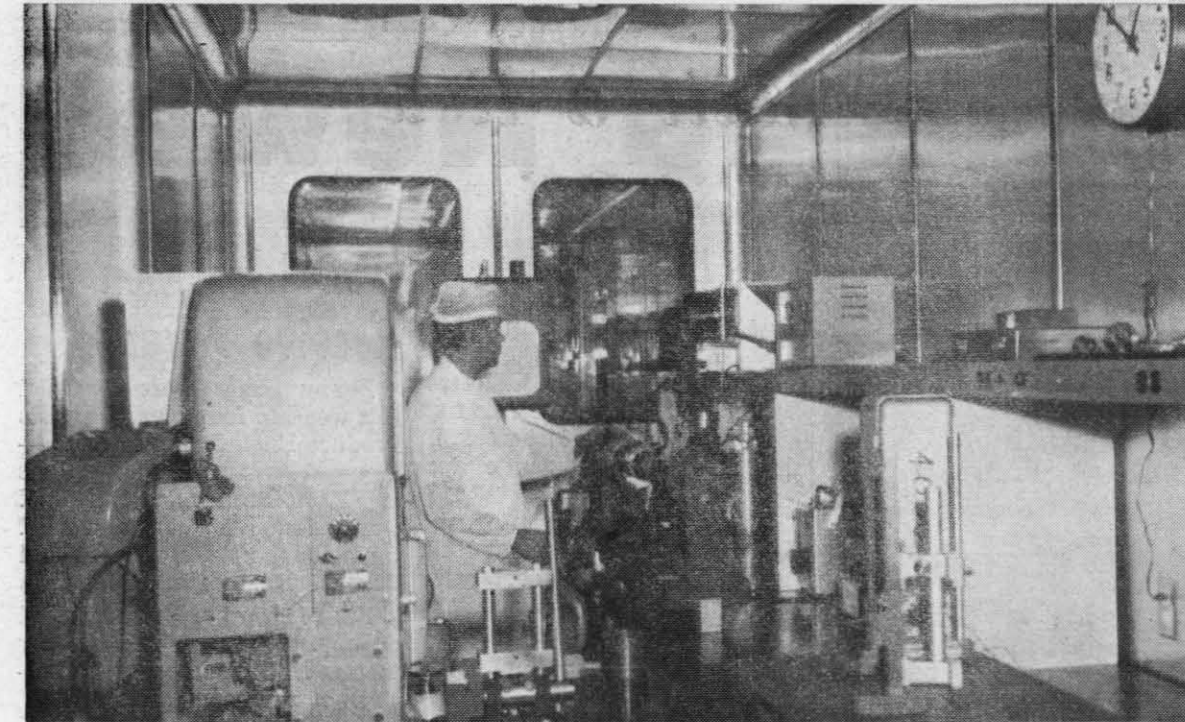
The chore of mailing Christmas cards could be made more pleasurable next Christmas if the U. S. postal officials would follow the example of the French in introducing flavored glue on stamps.

The French says their experiments with mint-flavored stamps will follow up next year with stamps flavored with various aperitifs, including anisette.

Overheard at a Hollywood party: "My, your husband looks handsome in his new suit." "Oh, that isn't a new suit. It's a new husband."

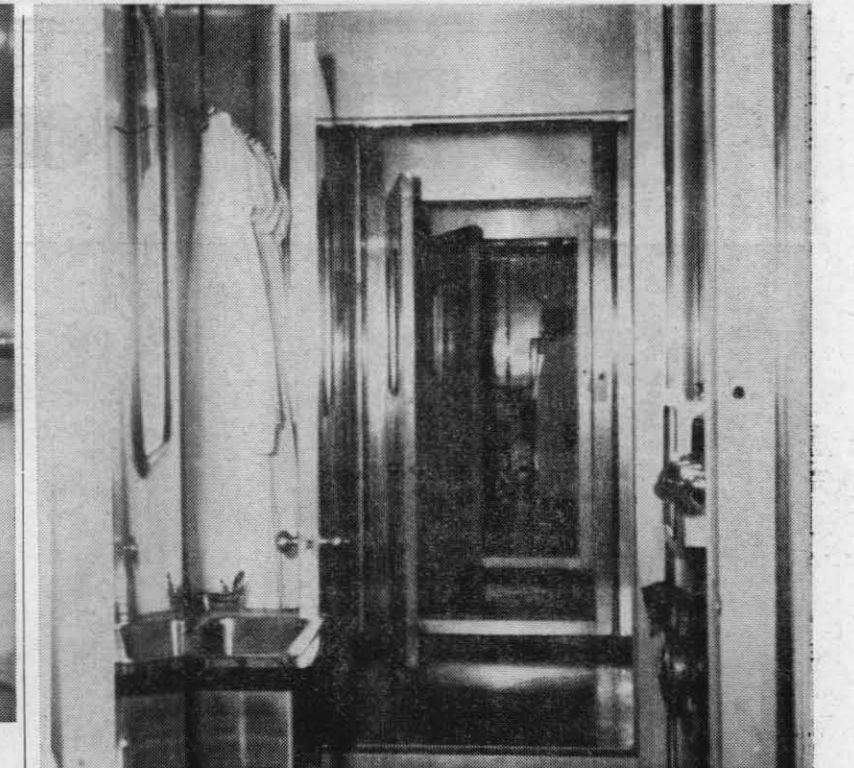
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SEMI-CLEAN ROOM — Robert Burkhalter, a mechanical engineering technician, is shown checking a seeker head on an electro-optical device in the 99.97 per cent pure air of the Semi-Clean Room. He is adjusting the gyro mass balance to coincide with the optical axis. An ex-Navy man, Burkhalter is quick

to point out that projects carried out in the White Room Complex is a team effort. Here he believes is the ultimate in pooling of ideas and skills which will lead to new techniques and short cuts in the assembly of gyros for NOTS missiles. Each employee is a partner in sub and final assembly.



FIVE DOORS — One must pass through five hermetically sealed doors and three air locks before reaching the sanctuary of the Super Clean Room much like the neurosurgeon Dr. Ben Casey does in his visits to his mentally disturbed patients. Cleanliness is next to Godliness here.

NOTS 'White Room' Equals Hospital Cleanliness

By BUDD GOTT

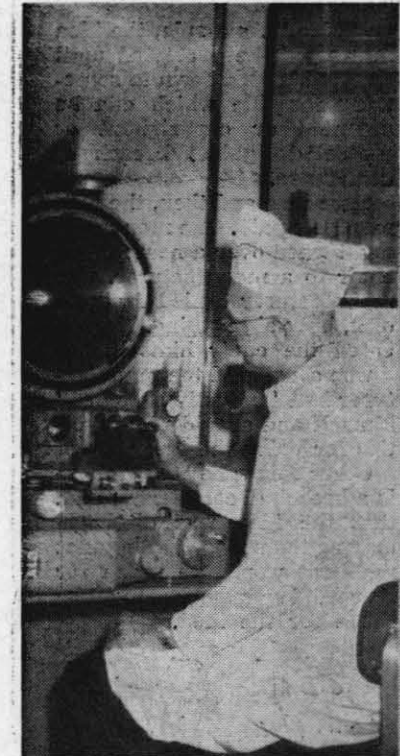
The White House may have its Red Room, Green Room, Blue Room, etc., but Michelson Laboratory has its White Room which was conceived by the Weapons Development Department.

However, the White House cannot boast that its rooms are 99.97 per cent dust free, as can personnel who work in the White Room complex located in Mich Lab next to the machine shop.

The White Room is more sterile and dust free than the most modern hospital, according to Edwin "Eddie" Allen. A mechanical engineer, Allen heads the Mechanical Section of the Optical Design Branch in the Air-to-Air Weapons Division which has cognizance over the White Room.

Five Doors

As one enters the first of five consecutive doors which open into the complex he feels that



CHECKOUT — "Eddie" Allen checks out a Sidewinder component for optical alignment on an optical comparator. A native of St. Louis, Missouri, Allen came to NOTS in October of 1946. His only previous experience in Civil Service was a short period of employment at the Mare Island Naval Shipyard. A mechanical engineer, Allen heads the Mechanical Section of the Optical Design Branch which has cognizance over the White Room. Jim Foust is the White Room supervisor.

he is stepping into the TV operating rooms of Dr. Kildare or the famous neurosurgeon, Dr. Ben Casey.

The comparison is not too far fetched because here are assembled gyros — the brains of most guided missiles, including NOTS' famous Sidewinder, and other missiles. Gyros are the brains of all ICBM and IRBM missiles as well as space platforms.

Shoes Cleaned

As one enters the first room, called the Gray Room, of the complex which contains the desk of Jim Foust, the White Room supervisor, he is immediately warned by Foust to clean his street shoes in an electro-mechanical "brusher" before progressing through the next hermetically sealed door into the Semi-Clean Room.

Before entering the Semi-Clean Room, the visitor removes his street shoes and puts on a pair of shoes kept in this area. He also dons a white coat and cap not unlike a surgeon's gown which are lint free. This change is made in an air lock chamber.

Semi-Clean Room

In the Semi-Clean Room, the

visitor observes a bewildering array of instruments. These include a variety of optical instruments, a 100-magnification optical comparator, a dynamic balancing machine capable of locating mass centers within two millionths of an inch, a paint spray booth with a hooded exhaust, and an electro-mechanical device used to make the final optical alignment on the Sidewinder IC gyro.

After a tour of the Semi-Clean Room, the visitor is whisked through another hermetically sealed door into an inner air lock where he again takes another air shower.

Warning Light

When the red warning light flashes off on the last hermetically sealed door, the visitor is ready to enter the sanctuary of the Super Clean Room.

This room houses such equipment as a surface plate, accurate within 50 millionths of an inch, to measure and calibrate instruments requiring ultraclose tolerances.

Here as in the other two rooms the air is filtered to remove particles of dust of 0.3 micron in size which are so small that they cannot be seen without

the aid of a microscope. So minute is 0.3 of a micron that the period at the end of this sentence is 1600 times larger in size than a particle of dust filtered from the room.

In this room of surgical cleanliness is assembled the Sidewinder IC infrared seeker sections, gimbals, gyros and optical hardware.

Extensive Use

Extensive use is made of optical instrumentation to avoid the need for the technicians' physical contact in alignment of delicate mirror surfaces.

The technicians work under sterile shielded benches. If they should sneeze, the moisture would be whisked away in a second. So accurate is the filtering system which has been approved by the Atomic Energy Commission that flecks of dry skin, lint from Kleenex, scalp dandruff, paper towels and clothing which might ruin spin bearings or contaminate delicate optics are never present.

The temperature of the Super Clean Room is maintained at 69 to 71 degrees Fahrenheit and a maximum humidity of 45 per cent. Thus, all equipment and assembly parts are maintained at

a high degree of dimensional stability, free from contamination and corrosion.

99.97 Pure Air

The Super Clean Room boasts of a 99.97 per cent purity which surpasses a nationally advertised household product that claims it is 99.44 per cent pure.

As in the honeycomb where each cell forms part of the next, each employee of the White Room feel their work is interlocked and equally important from "Eddie" Allen to Eugene "Jim" Foust and his assistants Robert Burkhalter, Charles Martin and Irene Weakley.

These persons are partners of today in their special knowledge and experience in a specialized field who will find a faster and better way to solve tomorrow's problems of gyros.



ACCURACY — Charles Martin applies his knowledge acquired at the Missouri School of Mines to making a precision calibration on a gyro with the aid of Irene Weakley. Martin came to NOTS in June of this year after receiving his Masters Degree in Mechanical Engineering. He is proud to be associated with the Station's civilian-military team as are his fellow graduates of the Missouri School of Mines who have the largest alumni association on the Station. The freedom to conceive and carry out developments of new items is what attracted Martin to NOTS.