ROBERT TAYLOR - "Halo

For a Badman," a color

telecast of the popular Death

Valley Days is scheduled

next Wednesday on KTLA,

Channel 5 at 7 p.m. The

show, written by Harold No-

ble, a local resident and em-

ployee at Genge Industries,

is just one of the many

scripts that he has written

for the show. This particu-

lar episode will feature Rob-

ert Taylor as a reformed gun

fighter turned town marsh-

al. The plot thickens when

some of the marshal's old

friends show up in town with

the idea of one last big haul

in mind. They laugh at his

badge, figuring that he too

is looking for a big score.

Travel Branch,

Airline Office

The Miss Ridgecrest - China Lake Beauty Pageant for 1967, whose workers are now building this year's organization and making plans for the Pageant of May 13, now has an attractive and highly talented new member. She is Mrs. Donna Anderson of San Bernardino, a free-lance public relations woman and fashion coordinator.

Mrs. Anderson will be in charge of the judging committee. She has worked previously with the Orange Show beauty pageant, and has been at various periods in her professional life a portrait artist and a buyer for the Jaks clothiers. She has three sons, Richard, 21, now with the Air Force in Okinawa; Randy, 19, a scratch golfer and hope-to-be pro; and Bobby, a high school student. Mrs. Anderson reveals that she hopes to move to China Lake as a permanent resident in the near future.

Improvements for '67 A Pageant meeting held recently at the Station Theater resulted in plans to extend a ramp 10 feet out from the stage into the center aisle and to set up special lighting for the event. Members of the peripetatic working meeting were Lurleen Kemp, coordinator for clothing and hair styling; Jim

Poore, Pageant chairman; Gabe



MRS. DONNA ANDERSON

Donna Anderson, and Margy Zinke, cosmetician

Meanwhile, entrants are being accepted for the May 13 event. The girls must be between the ages of 17 and 27, and unmarried. Entries must be in to the Ridgecrest Jaycees or the China Lake Community Council no later than April 4.

The men to call for further information are Jim Poore at Ext. 71398; Jim Fath at 72937, Imer, head of Special Services: and Dick Frederick at 72896.

Don't Be Fooled By Glass Doors



a person is fooled by the trans- injuries occur to males. Going tion process. parency of the glass into from inside to outside accounts thinking the door is open. Of- for 75 per cent of these inju- held at the Knights of Columten the victim has been trav- ries. Hurrying is a major fac- bus Hall, 700 W. Ridgecrest eling back and forth through tor in the injury rate more Blvd. There is no charge and the open door, then someone often than slipping, crowding, the public is invited.

ing the door to be open, he bumps against the glass and breaks it. As the person goes through, the whole slab of glass

door breakage at NOTS is not ment and the Safety Depart- glass. ment are recorded, however the average is about one per month which means once a month a doors are strongly urged to in- the years, with an informal

The Air Force Ground Safe- as a decal on the doors - it ty Officers' Study kit and the helps.

closes it without his knowledge. or horseplay combined. One in On the next trip, still believ- seven of these injuries requires hospitalization.

the Station for appropriations ley, geared for those who are is often loosened from the that would enable replacement not bird watchers, will be next frame at the top and comes of all plate glass doors, with in the Maturango Museum's sedown on him like a guillotine. safety glass. However funds ries of programs. The speaker The true numbers of glass have not yet been received. Meanwhile, as plate glass doors entist. He will speak in the known, for only the ones re- are accidentally broken they Weapons Exhibit Center audiported to Public Works Depart- will be replaced with safety

"THE TRAIN" (133 Min.)

(War Drama) Action-filled account of efforts of the French underground to fail German officer's attempt to loot the country of its valuable works of art. The freedom fighters plans create suspense, surprise and danger in this epic! (Adult, Youth.)

--MATINEE---"SECRET OF MAGIC ISLAND" (65 Min.)

--EVENING-'RINGS AROUND THE WORLD" (98 Min.) Don Ameche 7:00 P.M.

Shorts: "Tom Tom Cat" (7 Min.

(Novelty) Ladie-e-s and gentlemen, step right up to the world's greatest array of thrilling, unique and daring circus acts ever assembled under one roof!! A deathdefying performance every minute. THE BIGGEST CIRCUS OF THEM ALL. (Adult,

Short: "Saga of Windwagon Smith"

UNDAY-MONDAY MARCH 26-27
"TEXAS ACROSS THE RIVER" (101 Min.) Dean Martin, Alain Delon 7:00 P.M.

(Comedy/Western) Texas will never be the same as Dean and Indian friend, Joey, try to take a cargo through Comanche territory with the cavalry in pursuit. Laugh your blues away as this one spoofs the old west like of Cat Ballou! (Adult, Youth, Short: "Harried & Hurried" (7 Min.)
(A Roadrunner)

Fred MacMurray, Vera Miles 7:00 P.M.

(Comedy/Drama) Disney's heart-warming story of a traveling musician who decides o settle down in a small town. His changing mode of life, as a scoutmaster and a husband, also affects other townfolk. Fun here for all the family. (Adult, Youth, Chil-

THURSDAY-FRIDAY MARCH 30-31 "PICTURE MOMMY DEAD" (85 Min.)
Don Ameche, Martha Hyer, Zsa Zsa Gabor

7:00 P.M. (Mystery) A fortune awaits the survivor of a mystery-laden estate now held by a pretty teenager who believes her mother was murdered. A greedy stepmother and a disfigured cousin head up the suspects in this shocker thiller. (Adult)

n this shocker-thriller. (Adult.) Shorts: "Pink-a-Boo" (7 Min.) "Hollywood Star Spangled Revue" (11 Min.)

Sex Education Is PTA Topic

The Parent-Teacher Guild of Saint Ann's School is sponsoring a parent information evening on the subject of child sex education Thursday, March 30, at 8 p.m. The program will consist of showing two films, which present the story of how boys and girls grow into adolescence, as well as displays of appropriate pamphlets, books, and phonograph records, some of which will be available without charge.

The program moderator will discuss briefly the age level It is amazingly easy to walk National Safety Council state at which a parent could prethrough a glass door. Usually that 68 per cent of glass door sent each phase of the educa-

Lecture On Birds

A slide-illustrated lecture on Requests have been made by the birds of Indian Wells Valis Donald W. Moore, NOTS scitorium Thursday night, March 30, at 7:30 p.m.

Moore will show the colored All tenants with plate glass slides he has accumulated over stall some obvious design such commentary, for about an hour, then will answer ques-

Gem Hounds Set First '67 Meeting With Slide Show

The first meeting of the new year for the Indian Wells Valley Gem and Mineral Society will be next Monday, March 27, at 7:30 p.m. in the Society's meeting place at the corner of Langley and Rowe Streets, according to newly-installed president Alvin Cles.

The meeting is to feature a program of colored slides and talk on Chinese carvings. There is also to be a case of Jade and Rose Quartz carvings

New club officers installed at a pot luck supper late last month were Alvin Cles, president; Virginia Boyd, VP; Alice Witten, secretary; Virginia Fulmer, treasurer; and Elmer Hetrick, and William McBride,

Directors held over from 1966 are Royal Gould and Bee

Buffet Offers Choice of Three Tasty Entrees

The buffet, recently installed at the Station restaurant, has proved to be a true pleasure in eating. Since it was established, on a temporary 60-day trial basis, over 1200 people have sampled the tasty wares.

The hours of the restaurant on weekends are: Saturday from 6:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. and 7 to 7 on Sunday with the buffet being featured from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. both days.

Due to the opening of the Restaurant on weekends, the Malt Shop weekend hours have been curtailed. The hours are now 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, and 11:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Sunday

The continuation of the buffet at the restaurant depends on the patronage. Try taking the family out for a change. You're sure to enjoy it.



A bad memory today is really an asset. It lets you enjoy an old movie on television without realizing you saw it years

Resume Business Effective March 27, the Travel and Transportation Branch, Code 8517, and the Airline Traffic Office (JAMTO) will resume operations in their newly remodeled offices in building

The telephone numbers for both organizations will remain

STATION LIBRARY LISTS NEW BOOKS

A complete list of new books is available in the library. Fiction

Bennett-Crooked River Canyon. Browne-The Ancient Pond. Gage-The Cruel Coast. Swarthout-The Eagle and the

York-Death to My Killer. Non-Fiction Baldwin-Battles Lost and

Darrow-Give Up? Hunt-The World of the Formerly Married. Peissel-Tiger for Breakfast. Smith-Boat Carpentry. Sprowls—Computers. Taylor-The Ageless Relics.

Watson-The Frontiers of

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Naval Ordnance Test Station, China Lake, California

Fri., March 24, 1967

Balcom Elected

To Head Navy

League Council

W. R. "BOB" BALCOM

W. R. (Bob) Balcom was

elected president of the Indi-

an Wells Valley Navy League

Council at the group's month-

ly meeting held at The Hide-

away in Ridgecrest Monday

An employee of the Propul

sion Development Dept., Bal-

com is the second NOTS Civil

Service employee ever named

to the Council's highest post in

its 10-year history. The last

NOTS employee to hold the

post was G. L. (Barney) Old-

field (1963-64) also of the Pro-

Balcom succeeds Milford C.

(Mil) Carlson, the only man

elected to the presidency

Other new officers who will

assist Balcom in Navy League

affairs during his term in of-

fice will be Howell Sumrall,

first vice president; Herb King,

second vice president; Paul

Mitchell, secretary, a NOTS

employee, (Mitchell held the

same office in 1962-63); Fran-

cis Carlisle, treasurer, and

Budd Gott, judge advocate, also

twice, 1962-1963 and 1966.

pulsion Development Dept.

IR Countermeasures People Make Big Leap with FATCAT

Unique System Saves Time, **Boosts Assessment Accuracy**

By JOHN R. McCABE

John Crecelius, Bill Arriola,

Howard Sumnicht, and E. Reg-

elson of Code 3008, and

George Silberberg of Code 30's

the Group; and Sumnicht, phy-

sicist, manages development of

the project, now in its "bread-

(Continued on Page 3)

Regelson, a physicist, heads

Data Reduction Branch.

The people of Michelson Lab's matches the two images by ad-Infrared Countermeasures justing the scale model and Group, in their modern trailer the TV camera trained on it, quarters just behind the Lab's with the film image, he gets main building, were faced a "fix" on the actual aircraft, with an incipient population explosion not long ago.

It was all because of a growing need for more and faster tle strain - work can proceed infrared countermeasures assessment, normally solved by things as range and aspect of adding more personnel. Then a dynamic target, as well as the problem was solved by the its infrared radiating characinvention of a system unique teristics and the performance in the free world, according to of countermeasures. its co-inventors.

"Film and Television Correlation Assessment Technique," or our evaluation functions now. FATCAT for short, is the name of the new system, and it is not only saving the day for Code 3008 in their rising workflow demands, but has greatly added to the precision of measurements needed in IR and other research and development work.

In a nutshell, FATCAT combines on a TV screen the film image of an aircraft in actual operation - range and attitude unknown — and the televised image of an exact scale model of the same aircraft — range and attitude exactly known. When FATCAT's operator

FLYING THE 'FATCAT'-Co-inventor George Silberberg reads model aircraft's "range" from digital output electronics as mathematician Shirley Mitchell positions the model by remote control. Readout shows what range and aspect of model would be if the model were a real aircraft. When image of model is matched with filmed image of actual counterpart, its range and aspect are also known. Equipment at right feeds filmed image made during actual test into TV monitor. Out of picture at left is IBM 526 Summary Punch to prepare output data for computer use. Silberberg estimates that an experienced operator could read about 300 data frames per day with little or no eye strain and with a precision of one-half a degree angle. Under the old system, a film reader had to view successive film images using a light box and an eyepiece magnifier with a scale engraved on the lens. Back and eye strain caused accuracy to fall off severely during a day, and obtaining exact measurements of visible details on the specific aircraft shown often slowed prog-



ADJUSTING MODEL-John Crecelius, mechanical engineer who built FATCAT's model viewing system, adjusts model seen on TV monitor above. Output signals indicating range and aspect of model come from potentiometers such as the one mounted above vertical axis positioning rod. Just above his head and running some 60 feet behind him is rail for TV camera.

-Photographs by PH3 Jerry Willey

NOTS employees. The new officers will be installed sometime in April.

Art Leaguers Plan Program On Chinese Art

The Desert Art League will hold its regular program meeting on Monday, March 27, at 8 p.m. in the Community Center.

Featured as speaker will be Mrs. D. T. McAllister of China Lake, who will talk on "Bronze, Silks, and Porcelain — 2000 Years of Chinese Art." Her talk will be illustrated by examples from her collection.

Mrs. McAllister was born in China and received her education through high school there. After graduating from college nine years.





Special Services Give Many Activities To 25,000 Monthly

12 Big Facilities Offer Recreation **To Station People**

BY ED RANCK

Of all the fringe benefits that are part of military life, probably the most frequently used and appreciated are those provided by Special Services. It has been said that if a private club were to attempt to provide the facilities that Special Services does, the cost of joining such a club would be too high for the average citizen. This may or may not be an exaggeration, but the fact remains that Special Services provides recreation facilities that are of interest to practically every man, woman and child aboard the Station.

25,000 Each Month

Under the able direction of Special Services Director Gabe Imer, 52 full and part-time employees of the division provide recreation services for over 25,000 military and civilians each month. The Special Services office at 76 Bard St. is the hub of the recreation activity. A weekly recreation guide, the "Recreation Rambler," is published by the office staff here.

The Station theatre, in Bennington Plaza, is perhaps the most popular of all recreation facilities. Here a feature movie is shown each evening at 7 p.m., with a matinee on Saturday afternoon. Theatre manager Mike Guy supervises a staff of eight employees. The theatre is also a locale for stage shows and concerts, with top entertainment attractions appearing from time to time.

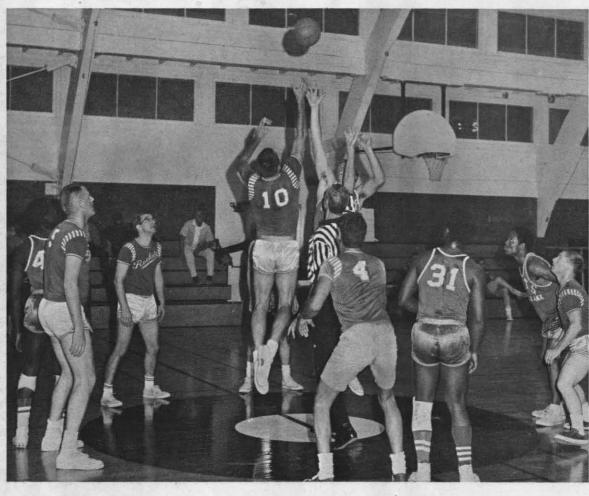
For those who like to devote their spare time to tinkering, Community Center. Under the kern Road has picnic grounds, there are four hobby shops on direction of Ann Seitz, the Cen- and barbeque pits and is availthe base. Facilities for auto re- ter offers many services to the able for large groups or spepair, ceramics, electronics and China Lake community. The cial parties. The Spa and the woodworking are centrally lo- Community Center building, Community Center are open to cated for patron convenience. located on Blandy Ave., houses all Station residents.

cated off Halsey Ave., adjacent to the China Lake Bowl. Practically all the equipment needed to accomplish any car repair job is in the shop. The shop carries a large supply of parts, and some items can bebought for sizeable discounts For those not mechanically inclined, Larson's able staff furnish qualified instruction. The Auto Hobby Shop is open to all military personnel.

The Electronics and Woodworking Shops are both located near the Station restaurant, off South Lauritsen Road. Clyde Stevens manages the electronics shop, and Archie Young is in charge of the woodworking facility. Plenty of parts and equipment are available at both shops, which are open to all Station residents.

Ceramics Shop

The Ceramics Hobby Shop, open to all military personnel and their dependents, is located in the Station restaurant building. Bob Dobbie is the shop manager, and an open house and ceramic show highlight the shop's activities. The show is held at the Community Center during Armed Forces Week each year, and this



Center is open for parties, ban-

ROCKETEER

GAME TIME-A center jump starts the ac- Station gym. The gym is also used for tion in intramural basketball play at the badminton, volleyball and gymnastics.

cility. Located in Bennington ervations for these.

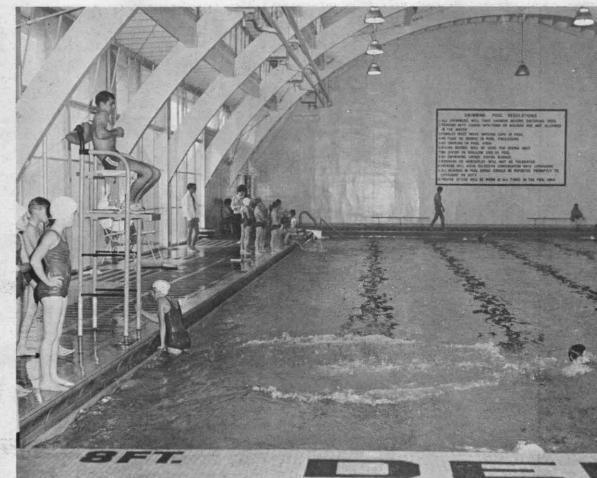
year is set for May 18-19.

rian Jane LaRosa.

Plaza, the 26,000 - book library

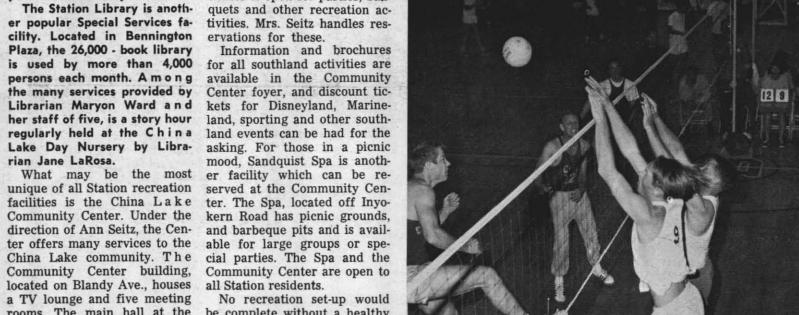


SWING YOUR PARTNER—Captain and Mrs. H. J. Hartman participate enthusiastically at a square dance.



A VERY BUSY PLACE—Young as well as the old enjoy the Station pool, which was

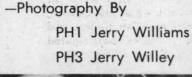
recently painted. The world's largest pool regulation sign is seen in the background.



POWER VOLLEYBALL -Spiker from a C and H team pounds the ball past a twoman block in the recent China Lake Invitational, hosted here. Ten civilian and military teams participated in the all-day affair.

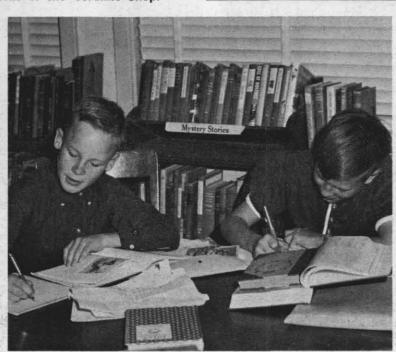


DEMONSTRATION-Orpha Dobie, left, shows Melba Webb and Rosemary McCaughan tricks of the Ceramic Shop.





TIGHT SPACE-John W. Rogers, VX-5, checks power steering unit on his car at Auto Hobby Shop. This is a popular shop with the military.



HAPPY STUDENTS-Mark von Hueme, left, and Tim Finnegan do their homework at the Station Library, as do many.

athletic program. Ray Gier heads the Athletic Department, which schedules a healthy variety of 14 sports ranging from horseshoes to flag football.

Much Activity

The Station gym and swimming pool, managed by Assistant Athletic Director Kelvin Bennett, are the scenes of much activity. The gym floor which is now being replaced, can accomodate such sports as badminton, basketball and volleyball. This area will be ready for use early in April.

The gym also houses a weight room, a handball court, a steam room, and a gear issue room. Anything from sweat socks to camping equipment (the camping gear is for military only) can be drawn at the issue room. The Station pool is in the same building. The gym complex is in the Bennington Plaza, and is open to all Station residents.

China Lake Bowl

A popular local athletic facility is the China Lake Bowl. Fred Dalpiaz, a certified AMF bowling instructor, manages the Bowl. The alleys can be used by all Station residents and are available for league and open bowling. A fine youth bowling program under the supervision of chairman Aline Schad is scheduled on Saturdays.

Another popular recreation spot is the China Lake Golf Course. Located off Wasp Rd., it is considered one of the finest courses in the Mojave Desert. Some 1500 rounds of golf are played here each month. The golf season is highlighted by the Club Championship in September, the China Lake Invitational in October, and the Admiral Stroop Tournament in December. PGA pro Paul Someson provides golf instructions. Putting greens and a driving range are also part of the layout. Art Neely, a former top Navy golfer and an experienced greenskeeper, is the course superintendent.

There are facilities for softball, football, baseball and tennis. Most of these are on Halsey Ave. between South Lauritsen Road and Richmond Rd. The Beer Hut softball diamond, home of the Station Softball League, is located at 76 Bard St., behind the Special Services office. The playing field and spectator facilities are undergoing extensive repair, and will be ready for the start of the softball season in early May.

Although the present recreation facilities at China Lake are among the best in the Mojave Desert area, many plans for improvement are underway. Most of the athletic facilities are being remodeled, and ground will be broken for a new bowling alley in the near future.

The hobby shops are in various stages of expansion, and it is hoped that the library will be remodeled soon. It all adds up to a fine recreation program, one that can make a tour of duty at China Lake an enjoyable one.

DIPLOMA - Fred Dalpiaz, China Lake Bowl manager,

receives AMF Instructor di-

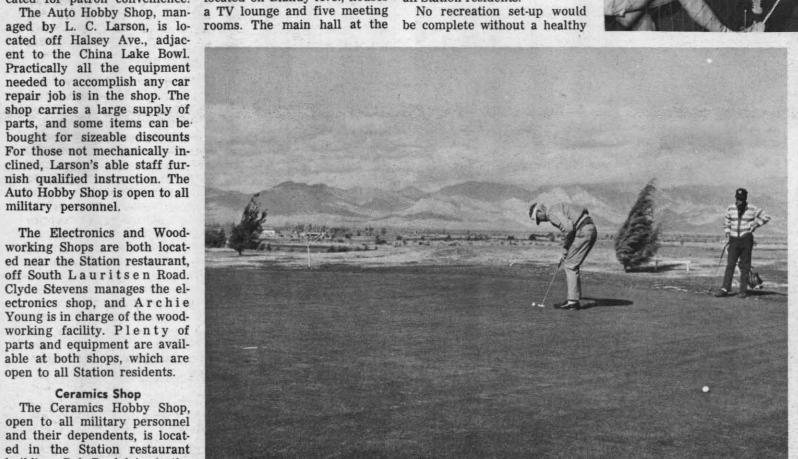
ploma from Special Services

Director Gabe Imer. Dalpiaz

is one of the top bowlers in

the area with many awards

and trophies to his credit.



FUN DURING LEISURE HOURS - One of

right here at China Lake. A top notch pro the finest golf courses in the area is found is available for instruction.

NOTS Pasadena



SIGNING IN - More than 50 Pasadena elementary school teachers file through the front gate at NOTS Pasadena on Business-Industry-Education (BIE) Day. Issuing visi-

tor badges are Eva Young and Shirley Greenly of Visit Control and Susan Felix, Document Control Center (extreme right, Ir). The teachers spent the afternoon here.

Once again, NOTS Pasadena

hosted more than 50 elemen-

dena's 14th annual Business-

Representing NOTS Pasade-

ter, P8043; Bill White, Head,

Thermodynamics Branch, P80-

75; and Thor Jensen, Head,

Publications and Photography

The afternoon program on

station included a film, "The

gineer, P80838; The story of

BIE Day is sponsored by the

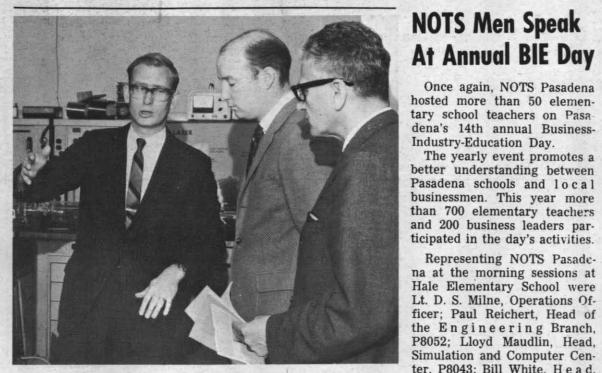
Pasadena Chamber of Com-

HAPPY EASTER

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds

Branch, P8096.

ROCKETEER



A HIGH LIGHT in the visit of George Sorkin, Supervisory Materials Engineer, Naval Ship Systems Command (r), is a discussion with Paul Heckman and Ray Riordan, Applied Underseas Science personnel (I-r) on DSSP projects, in particular, the optical sensors program. Here, Paul gestures as he briefs the visitor on the range-gated receiver of the las-



ON A RECENT VISIT to NOTS Pasadena, James K. Nunan, Assistant Director Sea Warfare Systems, Department of Defense, Research and Engineering, confers on technical ASW programs with J. M. McCool, Head, Electronics Branch; and



Bill Wilson Makes USC Engineering Honor Roll

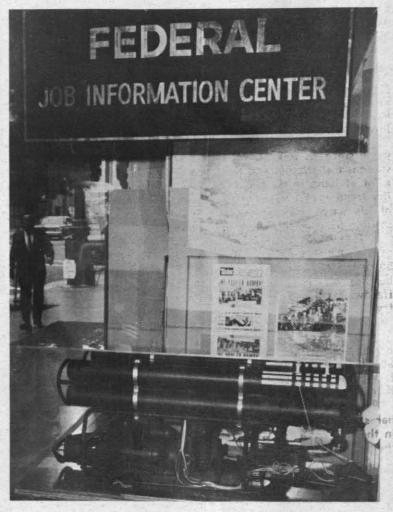
ly appeared in the Rocketeer He is presently working towhen rewarded for sharing a patent award. Bill is making news again. According to a re-Dean of the School of Engineering as one of 81 graduate and undergraduate engineering students who have main-The yearly event promotes a age. Graduate students must non 6 and Dori 3, reside in Albetter understanding between maintain this average while tadena.

Bill Wilson, P8093, recent- maintaining 8 or more units. ward his master's degree in Mechanical Engineering.

Born in Wenatchee, Washcent edition of the Daily Troj- ington, Bill earned his B.S. dean of the University of South-ern California, he has made ing from the University of the honor list issued by the Washington in December, 1964. He joined the NOTS Junior Professional Program on January 11, 1965.

He and his wife, Jeri, and tained a 3.5 grade point aver- two small daughters - Shan-

One Stop Information



A GRAND OPENING was held recently for the newly established one-stop information center for federal employment. This operation, set up by the Interagency Board of Civil Service Examiners, is designed to coordinate all requirements for recruitment. The new center presently handles all information for the Southern California area and the future will hold a supply of information throughout the entire country. An added attraction for the grand opening was an exhibit (shown above) of NOTS model of CURV (Cable-Controlled Underwater Research Vehicle). The new office is located at 851 South Broadway in Los Angeles.



WHAT'S GOING ON HERE? Joe F. Christie, frequency technician at the Frequency Coordination and Analysis facility of Code 3009, explains how frequencies are monitored and scheduled at NOTS to members of Lloyd W. Brubaker's elective electronics class from Murray School. Brubaker, teacher of science at Murray, also instructs in astronomy and Morse Code with 7th and 8th graders.



PHOTOGRAPHIC TOUR — VX-5 and NAF recently hosted four members of the American Aviation Historical Society. Their oneday stop terminated a photographic tour that covered several south-west military bases. The society, in existence since 1934, gathers information that is used by journalists, writers and news media in documenting all aspects of aviation. Of prime interest was VX-5's newly arrived A-7As. Left to right are Clay Jansson, Lt(jg) J. E. Curran, VX-5 Public Affairs Officer; Doug Olson; Bude Donato; Peter Lewis and Lt(jg) R. Matlock, NAF Security Officer.



SEABEE CAKE CUTTING - Officiating at the cake cutting during the recent 25th anniversary of the SeaBees were from left to right, Capt. Robert Williamson, II, NOTS

Executive Officer; Capt. H. J. Hartman, Public Works Officer, LCdr. Richard Malone, Commanding Officer of the local Sea-Bee unit; and Chief Lewis C. Minter.

NAF's Floyd Cook Chosen 'Plane Capt.'



OUTDOOR MAN — AN Floyd Eugene Cook's devotion to high-performance machines has been evident to both his supervisors and his buddies at NAF and in China Lake since he arrived here in October, 1965, fresh out of boot training at Great Lakes NAS. He has been chosen "Plane Captain of the Month" for March for his work with a DF-8F on the job. On weekends he takes part in "stock" car racing activities in the Valley. Cook joined the Naval Reserves in June, 1964, in his native Roswell, Ga., and went on active duty one year later. His other off-duty interests include hunting, fishing, and boating in his 14-foot outboard back home. A traveler also, Floyd has made tours both around the state and locally, including L.A., San Francisco and the upper Mojave.

Unique System Saves Time

(Continued from Page 1)

board" stage. Silberberg, another physicist, came out to 3008 from his home code to help solve the Group's work flow problem. Crecelius, a mechanical engineer, set up FAT-CAT's machinery; Arriola, a technician, worked with the

TV component manufacturers. Ahead of Themselves

According to the people responsible for FATCAT, the original plan was to follow the usual practice of first setting up a pilot, or "breadboard" model, then producing a refined working model, then smoothing out, trimming, and finishing it as a final operat-

ing system. "The model we have right now was supposed to be just a breadboard model," says Silberberg, "but we have been making improvements on it so often, and it's worked out so be the final model also - after a few more improvements."

When FATCAT is finally perfected, the final version will be transfered to the Associated Aero Science, Inc., building in Ridgecrest. There, under the supervision of Bruce Wertenberger, head of Code 3034, the normal run of evaluations will be conducted. But the IR Countermeasures people plan to maintain another FATCAT system to handle special projects "in-house."

As FATCAT continues to develop toward its final version, other Countermeasures people stand out as key workers in the development process. Mrs. James Mitchell, for example, describes herself, with tongue in cheek, as the "chief nag" in the group. Actually, as a Code 3008 mathematician she works closely with the group munity Center.

to define and obtain needed refinements and improvements as the development progresses. Shirley Mitchell operates the device daily, and keeps her co-workers up to the moment with performance require-

Steve Szynter of Associated Aero Science, Inc., works in the Code's trailer building in the IR evaluation process, selecting film segments to be processed through FATCAT, and aiding in its development At the NOTS Pasadena laboratory, Lloyd Berghagen of Code P55 and Eleanor Owens of Genge Industries are helping obtain vital parts and components needed in the project.

As FATCAT continues to be improved toward its final form, regular projects continue to be fed into it, and two shelves-full of scale model aircraft of all kinds and some air ordnance wait to be mounted and used The presently separated electronic consoles are to be combined into a single compact console; and the TV camera that views the scale model is to be mounted on its overhead track, along which it will be positioned by remote control to simulate target range.

Valley Nurses Called To Strictly Business Meeting on Monday

Business calls all nurses in the Valley to a meeting next Monday, March 27, of the Indian Wells Valley Nurses Club. Tillie Sbrocca of the Nurses Club explains that a large turnout next Monday is needed to prepare the Club for its 1967 schedule

The strictly business meeting will be held in the Com-



Captain G. H. Lowe, ComNOTS. (I-r).

PROMOTIONAL

OPPORTUNITIES

Clinical Nurse, GS-5, Code 88 - This i

an intermittent position located in the Nur-sing Services Branch of the U.S. Naval Hos

currently licensed to practice as registered professional nurses in a State or territory

Sales Checker, GS-2 (temporary), Code

28 — This is an intermittent position located in the U.S. Navy Commissary Store. Incumbent will perform check-out duties de-

signed to provide training and experience in the operation of a multiple cash register and sales store clerical knowledge and abil-ities. A written test is required plus six

months experience or graduation from

CampbIII, Bidg. 34, Rm. 28, Phone 72218.

General Engineer, GS-9, 11, or 12, Code
4543 — Incumbent will assume the responsibilities and duties of Project Engineer in

stitutes and duties of Project Engineer in the formulation, design, development and testing of pyrotechnic devices requirements from conception to delivery to the fleet. Work will include design of tooling, instrumentation and equipment, studies of environmental effects and evaluation of pyrotechnic formulations. The incumbent must provide the leadership required for excepting

vide the leadership required for successful

completion of assigned tasks. Experience is required in the fields of General and/or

is required in the fields of Colonial Chemical Engineering.
File applications for above with Evelyn Moors, Bldg. 34, Rm. 27, Phone 72723.
Gas Heating Equipment Mechanic, JD No. 96, Code 70433 — Installs, maintains, and

repairs or replaces gas burning equipment such as cook stoves, water heaters, space heaters, furnaces, water and steam boilers

up to 40-pound working pressure and 1,-000,000 BTU; also evaporative cooling units and water towers up to 50,000 CFM. In-

maintains, and repairs or replaces ostats, high and low-pressure regula-

diaphragm safety valves, thermocoup-combination fan and limit switches,

s, burners, pumps, motors, bearings, eys, belts, evaporative pads, filters,

strumentation to determine methods of con-

lesign improvement.

Mechanical Engineering Technician, GS-t, or GS-11, PD No. 755041, Code 5527— the purpose of this position is to develop

prototype missile guidance and control me-chanical and electro-mechanical hardware, to develop assembly methods and tech-niques and assist in documentation of as-sembly methods and techniques, to perform

liaison with and provide consultation to con-tractors and project engineers, to provide

production engineering assistance to project engineers, and to perform liaison with

Station prototype production shops.

Mechanical Engineer, G5-12, Code 5542,
PD No. 755039 — Incumbent performs or-

iginal mechanical design, redesign and mod-ification of existing hardware and equip-

ment. He is responsible for production and value engineering in support of other Sta-

tion organizations on early prototype hard-ware being produced by the Engineering

and general secretarial duties. A knowledge of shorthand is essential. Experience Re-quired: Two and a half years general and

one year specialized.

Auditor, GS-510-11, Code 177 — in

cumbent of this position serves as Internal Auditor in the Internal Review Division in

Central Staff. The incumbent performs and assists in the conduct of diversified internal

reviews of the financial and operating activities of the Station. Experience required:

Three years general and three years spe-

File_application for above with Sherry Scheer, Bldg. 34, Rm. 26, Phone 71577. Administrative Clerk, GS-5, Code 4060—

This position consists of a combination of administrative assistant and secretarial du-

ties and is located in the Aeromechanics

ment. Assists in preparation and submittal

of the Division budget and establishes bud-

get, fiscal accounting and control procedures for the Division. Responsible for all

Mathematician, GS-9, 12, Code 4055 -

The incumbent will perform studies on the digital computer, applying the techniques of communication theory and modern control

theory to problems in the analysis of ad-

vanced weapon systems and IR search systems. A knowledge of digital computer pro-

gramming (Fortran IV or V) is desired, and an understanding of probability theo-

ry and random processes is desirable.

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CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE



An Imaginary Letter

By Senior Chaplain Paul Romantum

The following is an imaginary letter which Pontius Pilate might have written in the First Century. It appeared in the March 14, 1951, edition of "Christian Century" and is attributed to the late Dr. Halford Luccock, great preacher, author, teacher of preachers, columnist and commentator.

It provides food for thought on Good Friday for it shows why so many are unwilling to become involved in the life and teachings of Jesus — too much trouble, not my business, it won't pay off.

THE MOST NOBLE TERTIUS QUARTUS, ROME Your Excellency

You have heard of the disturbance last Spring over the trial and execution of one Christus. It was quite a nuisance. But then, everything in this miserable province is a nuisance. But it passed off all right, and we will never hear of Christus again. My skirts are clear. I rather liked the man. He was what

the Jews call a prophet, from upcountry, unsophisticated, of course. But compared to the rabble yelling their heads off, and the priests pushing their flimsy charges with no evidence at all that would hold in a Roman court, he was dignified and attractive. I told them plainly and courageously that I found no fault in him. But they kept yelling, "Crucify Him!" So I washed my hands of the whole affair.

My reasons were sound. To have this Christus go free would have meant a riot and disorder and, no doubt complaints to Rome. And you know that could be a lot of trouble. A procurator must keep order above all things.

Besides, it was none of my business, really. The man had committed no crime, but after all, it was not my affair to mix into the squabbles of the fanatical Jews. It was their business,

And then it just happened to be a lucky chance to get solid backing from two groups opposed to me - the priests and the populous. I couldn't let that slip. It will mean a nondestructive and destructive tests on solid state components, transistors, diodes, resistors, etc., using X-ray, metallographic, chemical, and electrical methods and inlot to my prestige and career here, and I hope in Rome, too. So if you hear any different reports, dismiss them.

With high esteem, Pontius Pilate



PROTESTANT

Good Friday, March 24

11:45 a.m. - Devotional Services conducted by Sr. Chaplain Paul Romantum in the All Faith Chapel.

Easter Sunday, March 26

7 a.m.-8:30 a.m. — Breakfast sponsored by the Protestant Women of the Chapel and MASSES: 7, 9:30, and 12:30. served by the Senior High East Wing. Tickets at door.

8:15 a.m. and 11 a.m.—Divine Banks, S.T.L., J.C.D. Professor All Faith Chapel.

CATHOLIC Good Friday, March 24 2:30 p.m. - Solemn Services conducted by Chaplain Paul Toland in the All Faith

Chapel. Holy Saturday, March 25 11:15 p.m.-Easter Vigil Serv-

12 p.m.-Midnight Mass. Easter Sunday, March 26

Department shops or outside contractors.

Mechanical Engineering Technician, GS11, PD No. 655014, Code 5561 — Responsible for performing in-service work on rocket launchers. Incumbent's major responsibili-Youth Fellowship in the ers from St. John's Seminary, Holy Week Triduum Preachity is the preparation of mechanical engin-eering design aimed at either (1) updating current aircraft rocket launchers, or (2) el-imination of malfunctions in current mod-Boston, Mass.-Rev. Robert J. Services conducted by Sr. of Cannon Law; and Rev. els. Must have a working knowledge of the Chaplain Paul Romantum, Charles Von Euw, Professor of Oriental Theology. File applications for above with Jaan Cheever, Rm. 34, Bldg. 34, Phone 71514. Secretary (Steno), GS-318-6, Code 17 — Secretary to the Head, Central Staff. Du-

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Roman Catholic (All Faith Chapel)-Holy Mass-7, 9:30 a.m., and 12:30 p.m. Sunday.

Daily Mass-11:30 a.m. in Blessed Sacra ment Chapel. Saturday, 8:30 a.m. Confessions-7 to 8:00 p.m. Saturday.

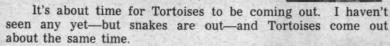
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Sabbath School-10 a.m. to noon, every first and third Saturday.

'DESERT PHILOSOPHER'-

About Tortoises

By "POP" LOFINCK



Friday, March 24, 1967

Turtles, Terrapins and Tortoises are loosely called turtles. They came from the same origin-but are not the same. Accurately speaking Turtles are a salt water reptile-Terrapins are amphibious-live on land or in fresh water-ponds, lakes or streams. The edible Snaping Turtle is a Terrapin. The Mojave Desert Tortoise is strictly a land turtle.

All turtles came out of the ocean in the beginning. That accounts for the streamlined shape, shell, for swimming. They are the most primitive of existing reptiles and considered to be the most intelligent, and with amazing instincts. They attain the oldest age in the reptile world. Probably because they are never in a hurry.

There is a lesson for living! Age is estimated by the number of growth lines in the polygonal plates on the top of the shell. But that is not too

reliable, because in a good year they may add two lines and as the turtle grows old the lines become so fine and so dim -making counting very difficult-like very old tree rings. However there is positive proof of Galapagos turtles liv-

ing 150 to 200 years. Some specimens are estimated to have

NOW ABOUT MOJAVE DESERT LAND TORTOISES

A million years ago this desert was a part of the ocean. So this Mojave Desert Land Tortoise changed from living in the sea that covered this area to burrowing a deep hole in the desert sand for hibernation in winter. Sometimes several in the same hole. In summer they dig a short more shallow hole for protection against extreme temperatures of mid-day.

Tortoises have forgotten how to swim-having been so long out of the sea.

File applications with Dora Childers, Code 657, Rm. 32, Phone 71393.

Electronics Technician, GS-7, Code 5516, PD No. 755033 — Position is located in the Electronic Components Analysis Section, Code 55163. Duties consist of conducting conductations and destruction texts. During the long evolutionary process of survival—feeding habits changed to mostly vegetarian. And a water reservoir evolved under the top shell-so they could survive in the

And they grew toenails for digging.

The streamlined shape of their shell was not detrimental to survival-so the shape has not changed-in fact it is an asset as a protection against predators. In evolution there must be a reason for change-or no change.

A WORD OF WARNING

Moiave Desert Tortoises are protected by law. It is illegal to buy, sell or pick up a Tortoise for a pet. \$50.00 fine. The reason for this law is that so many thousands have

been picked up that the species is becoming depleted. This information came from the Game Warden, Carl McCammon.

It is estimated that thousands have been picked up and shipped East to sell for pets. So the law cracked down.

Many kids in this area have them for pets. If you were in possession of your pet before that law was passed-ok-but you had better have proof. You could be fined for transporting one in your car-if you don't have proof.

The California Department of Fish and Game and the Forestry Department are on the ball all the time-they keep a watch over everything pertaining to Wildlife. Bravo!

Any reptile that can survive changing conditions for 175 million years commands respect. So let's do what we can for the preservation, before they become extinct.

It doesn't seem right that such unique creatures as these Tortoises after such a complete and amazing adaptation to environment-from ocean to desert-should perish to silly civilization or selfish commercialism. It seems they might survive

Sometimes they get run over crossing the pavement. They haven't learned to adjust to highway traffic yet.

Footnote—those little turtles you buy in the stores to put in your aquarium are terripins or mud turtles. No law on them.

021, Code 3012 — This position is located in the Design and Development Branch, Code 3012. The incumbent will assist electronic engineers in designing, constructing and packaging electronic devices for missile launchers, gun and radar systems and control systems. He will also fabricate and metry, oscillographs, magnetic tape recordtest electronic assemblies to be tested on the NOTS ranges. Experience in fabrication ment maintenance. and checkout of logic systems operating at approximately 5 mc/second is mandatory; this includes the performance of accepted electronic and mechanic assembly procederators and counters.

40 percent of the duties involve operation, telemetry ground station (ADAC). ADAC year of specialized aircraft electrician exis used primarily for gathering data in realtime for captive missile flight tests. Re- tion. maining 60 percent of the duties involve

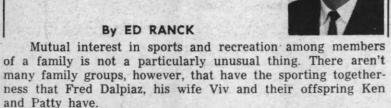
Electronics Technician, GS-7, PD No. 730- evaluation of instrumentation systems. Incumbent must be able to work with scie tists, engineers, and technicians in a coop erative way. Must be able to speak clearly lots. He must have specialized experience

ures and the operation of electronic test equipment such as oscilloscopes, signal genassembling, and installing. Frequently wires electrical and electronic components for in-File application for above with Fawn Hay-cock, Bldg. 34, Rm. 34, Phone 71514. stallation that are one-of-a-kind and re-moves this circuitry from aircraft at conclusion of tests or upon aircraft turn-in. Must Electronics Technician, GS-9, PD No. 735- have four years of progressive experience 027 or GS-11, PD No. 735028, Code 3536 in the installation, construction, repair and/
Position located at Hangar 3, NAF, in AOD's Airborne Instrumentation B r a n c h. equipment and accessories. At least one improvement, and maintenance of a small on aircraft. Applicant lacking only one

Chipp, Bldg. 34, Rm. 26, Phone 72676. the design, modification, packaging, and rison, Rm. 32, Bldg. 34, Phone 72032.

THE LOCKER ROOM

Family Affair



To those who are not familiar with sports in the local area, Fred is the popular manager of the China Lake Bowl. The members of the Dalpiaz family are all enthusiastic bowlers, and are active in the game to the extent that it has to be considered a family affair.

In the China Lake-Ridgecrest area over the past five years. the name Dalpiaz has become almost synonymous with the word bowling. It is almost a certainty that each week in the sports page, under the heading of bowling news, the name Dalpiaz will appear. The game has become almost a way of life with the Dalpiaz's and it's interesting to find out how it all

FRED A FORMER GOLDEN GLOVES CHAMP

Fred Dalpiaz was born in the coal mining district of Colorado. His family moved to Florence, a town of 2,800 about 50 miles from Colorado Springs, when Fred was 12 years old Times were hard in those days, and Fred worked in the mines three days a week throughout high school. He was a four letter man in baseball and football while in high school at Florence, but his real interest was boxing. Fred won the Colorado State Golden Gloves championship in 1940, then turned pro, winning two out of four professional fights.

World War II erupted at this time, and Fred entered the Navy, where he was an air crewman in the Pacific area. In 1943, he took up bowling, and immediately became enthusiastic about the game. While stationed at Olathe, Kansas in 1956, he was assistant bowling manager, and after a tour of sea duty. came to China Lake.

Fred became assistant manager at China Lake Bowl in 1962, and took over as manager in 1964. He retired from the Navy as a Chief Aviation Machinist Mate in 1965, and since that time has devoted all his efforts to managing the Bowl and working with various bowling programs throughout the

Fred is the only certified AMF bowling instructor working at China Lake. He is also an instructor for the American Junior Bowling Congress, and along with Aline Schad has been in charge of the local youth bowling program for the past two years. Designed for kids in the 8-18 age bracket, the program has become one of the most popular youth activities at China Lake. The program, which is conducted on a national scale under the auspices of the AJBC, has produced some of the best bowlers in the country.

THE ALL-EVENTS CHAMPION

Ken Dalpiaz is proof of the success of the AJBC program. At 23, he is one of the top bowlers in the local area, and this year was the all-events champion in the city tournament. Unlike his dad, Ken's only major sporting interest has been bowling, but in this he has been able to give the "old man' plenty of competition.

Usually a 190 plus average bowler, Ken has been at the game since he was 12. He began bowling while the family was stationed at Olathe, and Fred was his first instructor. He put in a lot of hard work, and soon was bringing home his share of the trophies. Working as a pinsetter at Olathe, Ken spent most of his spare time practicing. Sometimes he used two alleys, setting his own pins between frame.

The work paid off though, and later Ken was a member of a youth traveling team in the San Francisco Bay area. He bowled with several youngsters who later became famous in bowling circles, among them Billy Hardwicke of San Mateo. Hardwicke is currently one of the top professionals in the coun-

THE DISTAFF SIDE

Viv, who was raised in Canon City, Colorado, also began bowling at Olathe. Besides being a mother and housewife, she also helps Fred in the day to day operation of the China Lake Bowl. Despite the tight schedule, she still manages to bowl three times a week, and has a respectable 149 average.

Patty is the youngest member of the Dalpiaz clan. She got her start at the age of seven, and currently has a healthy 133 in the junior youth bowling league. An eighth grade student at the Murray School, Patty enjoys other sports, especially basketball.

It's a sports minded family as you can see, one that sticks together and plays together, and really enjoys it.

Time Trials For IWV Swim Team

The IWV Swim Team held from 7 to 17 took part in the

its annual time trials last Sat- trials, with 119 qualifying for urday at the Station pool. The the team. Ann Allan, Charles time trials are held each March Lattig, Martha Bock, Kris Bjorkto qualify club members for lund and Jan Hillard all won the summer competitive sea- four ribbons in their respective age groups.

The team's next meet will Swimmers ranging in age be at Wasco, Calif. on April 15.

Result of Men's **City Tournament**

Ken Dalpiaz rolled a series of 1924 to take all events honors in the 1967 Men's City Bowling Tournament, held last weekend at the China Lake Bowl, and the preceding weekend at Ridgecrest Recreation Center. Dalpiaz led a field of 128 bowlers, edging Joe Jones by 33 pins to win top honors in the 9-game event. Dalpiaz also teamed with Maury Coleman to win the doubles championship. The pair jumped to a total of over 500 in the first game, then held on to win by 23 pins with a score of 1315. Jones was the top man in the singles event, rolling a sizzling 754. Mercury Movers, a team which is currently in the cellar of the China Lake Premier League, came to life and rolled a combined total of 2903 to capture team honors. The team edged Ridgecrest Lanes by 5 pins, as Al Hebert rolled a strike and a spare in the 10th frame of the final game to clinch the victory for the Mov-

ers.	
INDIVIDUAL SCORES	
SINGLES	TOTAL
Jones	754
Brown	702
Ball	693
DOUBLES	TOTAL
Coleman-Dalpiaz	1315
Moore-Sorenson	1292
Davis-King	1277
ALL EVENTS	TOTAL
Dalpiaz	1924
Jores	1891
Moore	1880
TEAM	TOTAL
Mercury Movers	2903
Ridgecrest Lanes	2898
Riugecrest Bowl	2881
Bob's	2879
Mail Carriers	2874

Tennis Classes Draws A Large Local Turnout

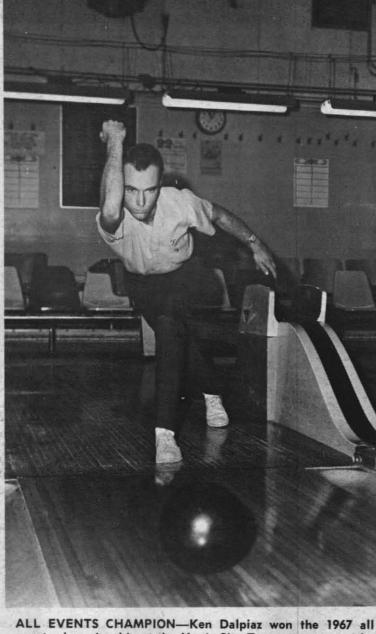
Approximately 50 tennis enthusiasts, were ca hand a the local tennis co rts for the opening of the hina Lare Tennis Club's | ram of in struction, which n last Saturday. The progra which is being conducted her in conjunction with the . fetime Sports athletic project, will be held each Saturday morning at 8 a.m. through April 22.

In response to numerous inquiries, club president Buck Bustard stated that entries for which will be held in the clubthe program will be accepted through March 25. The program is open to all residents of the Ridgecrest - China Lake area. Ridgecrest residents may obtain a gate pass at the Station security office. The pass will be valid for the duration of the program.

Tennis Tourney

There will be a grab bag mixed doubles tennis tournament tomorrow morning at 9:30. The event will be held at the China Lake Tennis Courts.

Specialized computer analysis is employed by Navy in personnel field and broken out into eight areas. Areas are Submarines, Anti-submarine Warar Power, Command and Contomatic Data Processing.



events championship at the Men's City Tournament recently. Dalpiaz topped a field of 128 local bowlers.

Burroughs Host Ping-Pong Play A Golf Tourney Ping-pong — or table tennis as it is more formally called On Local Green —never reaches the intensity of a championship tournament-

The Burroughs High School golf team will be the host club at the 1967 Golden League golf tournament next week. here, and he is calling on his The tournament will be held at the China Lake golf course on Thursday, March 30.

Clubs from Victorville, Barstow, Kennedy, Palmdale, Antelope Valley, Quartz Hill, and Burroughs High will compete, ways table tennis team, and th the first round beginning at '2 noon

Trophys for the low team score, and individual scores will be awarded. The presentations will be made at a buffet. house immediately following the tournament.

USEFUL WORK

Schools of fish may some day be tracked down by nuclear submarines. The Department of the Interior's Bureau of Commercial Fisheries says the subs have the high speeds. maneuverability and longterm submersion needed for the work.

Little League Calls Volunteers

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to help prepare the two Little League diamonds for this coming season, according to Clyde

Hazen of the League. A field day will be held tomorrow at Diamond No. 4 to re-

Volunteers are still needed players this year are invited to join in the project. Deadline Cometh

ties in the country. But at least

one China Laker would like to

see it catch on a club sport

John Griffin, a draftsman at

Public Works, is the man to

call. In his native London

eight years ago, he played

with the British European Air-

says that throughout England

and the rest of Europe the

game is a very strong league

"It's strong also down in Pas-

adena," he says. "They watch

the national averages down

there, and they practice like

crazy. Sometimes you can me

the big national players, too."

number of fellow table tennis

players together on Thursday

evenings at 7:30 at the Station

Gymnasium, or at some other

convenient time each week. He

asks that anyone interested in

the idea - with perhaps a reg-

ular club in the offing-call

him during the day at Ext.

John would like to get a

fellow Lakers to join him.

The final registration before the organization's Major League tryouts will be held from 7 to 9:30 p.m. next Tuesfare, Anti-Air Warfare, Nucle- juvenate the playing areas and day at the Grove School Cafeconcession booth. All Lakers torium. All boys not registered trol, Rating, Aircraft, and Au- who would like to lend a hand should do so at this time to support the young ball including last year's players

works dissely with the group thanks United

King Ave.) Sunday, 7:30 p.m.

which Land Stores Additioned II ADIS but out, and Chief Levis C. Minter.