

Take Time To Avoid This!



Special Services Holiday Schedule

The following Christmas and New Years holiday schedule will be observed by Special Services facilities at Naval Weapons Center.

Ceramics, Carpenter and Electronics Hobby Shops, Community Center and Equipment Issue will be closed December 23 - 25 and December 30 through January 1.

Closed for Christmas Day, but open on New Years Day are the Youth Center and the NWC Golf Course.

Activities closed December 24-25 and December 31 through January 1 are the Gym, Library, Auto Hobby Shops and Bowling Alley which will close at 3 p.m., Sunday, December 31.

The Center's Swimming Pool will remain open from December 16 through December 29 with the following schedule: Monday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Monday, Wednesday, Friday from 2 to 8 p.m.; Saturday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday, 1 to 5 p.m., and Tuesday and Thursday, closed from 1 p.m. on.

FACILITY HOLIDAY HOURS	
CLOSED	
FEDCO	Dec. 25 and Jan. 1
Shopping Bag Mkt.	Dec. 25 and Jan. 1
Mich Lab Cafeteria	Dec. 25 and Jan. 1
CLPP Lab Cafeteria	Dec. 25 and Jan. 1
Barber Shop	Dec. 25 and Jan. 1
Pharmacy	Dec. 25 and Jan. 1
Cobbler Shop	Dec. 25 and Jan. 1
Beauty Shop	Dec. 25 and Jan. 1
Child Care Center	Dec. 25 and Jan. 1
OPEN	
Malt Shop	Dec. 25 and Jan. 1

Disneyland Magic Key Ticket Books will be filled with something new this January as Operation M.O.U.S.E., the month of unusual savings in entertainment, offers a special bonus to Naval Weapons Center MKC members — two additional tickets ("Mouse Monies") that can be used for admission to any attraction, or for food and merchandise.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Answer to Previous Puzzle

- ACROSS**
- 3-Household
 - 4-Equal portion of two
 - 1-Man's nickname
 - 4-Musical instrument
 - 8-Capuchin monkeys
 - 12-Inlet
 - 13-Toward shelter
 - 14-Droop
 - 15-Shade tree
 - 16-Not exaggeratedly
 - 18-Unbending
 - 20-Mountains of Europe
 - 21-French article
 - 22-Bitter vetch
 - 23-Unit of Italian currency (pl.)
 - 27-Beam
 - 29-Sunburn
 - 30-Hostelry
 - 31-Man's nickname
 - 32-Flying mammal
 - 33-Farm animal
 - 34-Hebrew month
 - 35-Deadly
 - 37-Posed for portrait
 - 38-Simian
 - 39-Jog
 - 40-Likely
 - 41-Symbol for nickel
 - 42-Inheritor
 - 44-Mine veins
 - 47-Decide
 - 51-Man's name
 - 52-Mohammedan leader
 - 53-Sewing case
 - 54-Insect egg
 - 55-Baker's products
 - 56-Lairs
 - 57-Command to horse
- DOWN**
- 1-War god
 - 2-Swing

ACROSS

3-FAIRY
4-EQUAL
1-BOB
4-FLUTE
8-CAPUCHIN
12-LET
13-TOWARD
14-DROOP
15-ASH
16-NOT
18-UNBENDING
20-MOUNTAINS
21-LE
22-BITTER
23-LIRA
27-BEAM
29-SUNBURN
30-HOSTELRY
31-BOB
32-BAT
33-PIG
34-ADAR
35-DEADLY
37-POSED
38-ORANGUTAN
39-JOG
40-LIKELY
41-NICKEL
42-HEIR
44-MINE
47-DECIDE
51-BOB
52-MOHAMMEDAN
53-SEWING
54-EGG
55-BREAD
56-LAIRS
57-COMMAND

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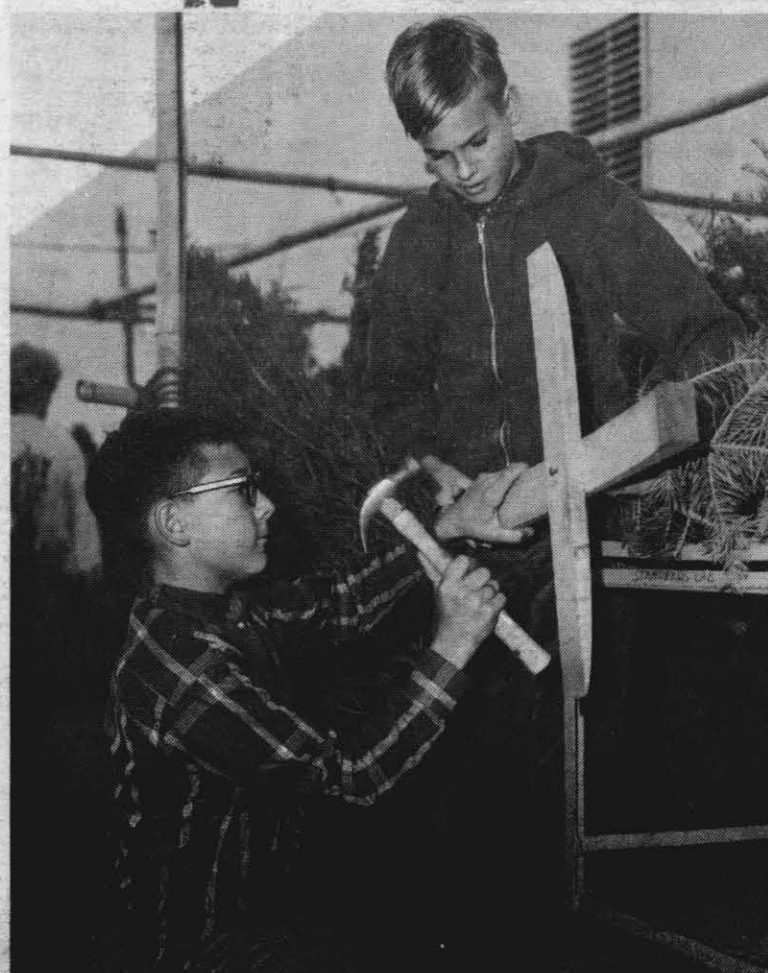
1-MARS
2-SWING



Traffic Court Changes Date For Holidays

China Lake Traffic Court dates will be changed on two dates during the holidays, Cdr. H. E. Byrd, NWC Legal Officer, announces.

Though usually held Tuesdays, Traffic Court will be held Wednesday, Dec. 27, and Wednesday, Jan. 3. Court will begin at 5 p.m., as usual.



CHRISTMAS SPIRIT — Getting into the Christmas spirit are two NWC Boy Scouts, Gerth Wests hammering the base of the stand and Jim Beckman holding the tree. Scouts continue to sell their trees on the lot next to the Shopping Bag Market in Bennington Plaza until Christmas Eve.

SHOWBOAT

FRIDAY DECEMBER 15
"HOUR OF THE SUN" (101 Min.)
James Garner, Jason Robards
7:00 P.M.

(Western) Wyatt (Garner) Earp and Doc (Robards) Holiday win the showdown at the O.K. Corral and then have to face Ryan's murderous rustling mob which has been plaguing Tombstone territory. A rough, tough, man's western. (Adult, Mature Youth.)
Short: "Pink Fink" (7 Min.)

SATURDAY DECEMBER 16
—MATINEE—
"THE CHRISTMAS THAT ALMOST WASN'T" (94 Min.)
Rossano Brazzi
1:00 P.M.

Shorts: "Growin' Pains" (7 Min.)
"King of Carnival" No. 2 (13 Min.)

—EVENING—
"THE KING'S PIRATE" (100 Min.)
Doug McClure, Jill St. John, Mary Ann Mobley
7:00 P.M.

(Adventure) A British Naval Lieutenant infiltrates the pirate stronghold of Madagascar to map the gun emplacements. Pirate Jill and Princess Mary Ann add a dash of romance to the action-filled swashbuckler. Yo Ho, Ho! (Adult, Youth, Children.)
Short: "Robinson Gruesome" (7 Min.)

SUNDAY-MONDAY DECEMBER 17-18
"IN THE HEAT OF THE NIGHT" (109 Min.)
Sidney Poitier, Rod Steiger
7:00 P.M.

(Mystery/Drama) Murder in a small southern town matches a bigoted police chief against a big city Negro who has surprises aplenty for the local lawman. The puzzling crime and its solution is a forceful lesson in brotherhood. (Adult, Mature Youth.)
Short: "Congratulations. It's Pink" (7 Min.)

TUESDAY-WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 19-20
"BAREFOOT IN THE PARK" (106 Min.)
Robert Redford, Jane Fonda
7:00 P.M.

(Comedy) Pity the newlywed young lawyer who inherits a kooky bride, a 5th floor apartment with a leaky skylight, a mother-in-law with romantic desire for an aging Romeo who lives on the roof. Wackier than the hit stage play! (Adult, Very Mature Youth.)
Short: "Boulder Wham" (7 Min.)

THURSDAY-FRIDAY DECEMBER 21-22
"OPERATION KID BROTHER" (108 Min.)
Neil Connery, Daniela Bianchi
7:00 P.M.

(Spy Adventure) Sean's brother herein plays a secret agent who is a plastic surgeon, lip reader, hypnotist, champion archer and 'copter pilot—all in an effort to combat evil Thanatos. Slick scenery and pretty girls galore! (Adult, Mature Youth.)
Short: "Crown de Guerra" (7 Min.)

SATURDAY DECEMBER 23
—MATINEE—
"SNOW WHITE & THREE STOOGES" (106 Min.)
1:00 P.M.

Shorts: "Clams in the Lease" (7 Min.)
"King of Carnival" No. 3, (13 Min.)

—EVENING—
"THE JOKERS" (94 Min.)
Michael Crawford, Oliver Reed
7:00 P.M.

(Comedy/Drama) HERE'S A SLEEPER that will keep you spellbound with fun. Two brothers decide to make their mark in the world with a spectacular theft-for-fun of the Crown Jewels from the Tower of London. Contemporary music and fun! (Adult.)
Shorts: "Log Jammed" (7 Min.)
"Virgin Island USA" (9 Min.)

SUNDAY DECEMBER 24
SPECIAL MATINEE—1 P.M. (81 Min.)

SUNDAY-MONDAY DECEMBER 24-25
"BECKETT" (148 Min.)
Richard Burton Peter O'Toole
7:00 P.M.

(Spectacular) King Henry II's boon companion is appointed Archbishop despite his protests and the Church and Crown become widely separated as Beckett fights for his flock. An impressive drama with action ala knights of old! It's tops! (Adult, Youth.)

TUESDAY-WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 26-27
"THE HONEY POT" (131 Min.)
Rex Harrison, Susan Hayward
7:00 P.M.

(Comedy) A romantic rascal decides to have funny kicks out of inviting three of his former romantic interests to his phony deathbed. He toys with each as they plot against each other for his vast fortune. A riot of laughs. (Adult, Mature Youth.)

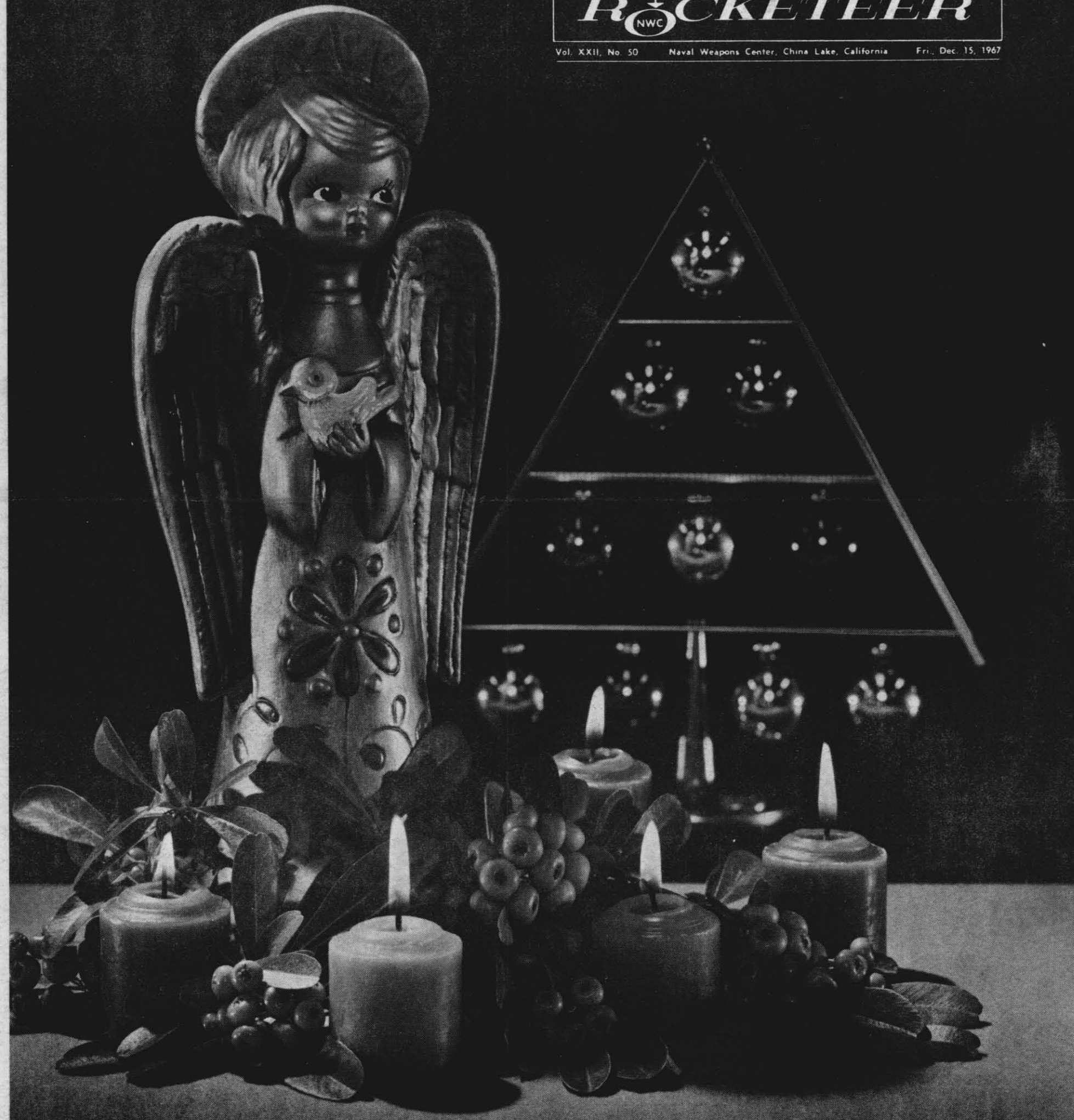
THURSDAY-FRIDAY DECEMBER 28-29
"JACK OF DIAMONDS" (107 Min.)
George Hamilton Joseph Cotton, and Special Guests
7:00 P.M.

(Drama) suave cat burglar robs Correll Baker, Zoo Zoo Gabor and Lili Palmer as he emulates the famed Ace of Diamonds as the world's most renowned jewel thief. Modern settings highlight suspense and thrills with stars galore. (Adult, Youth.)
Short: "Love Me, Love My Money" (7 Min.)

Merry Christmas



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NAVAL WEAPONS CENTER

China Lake and Corona, California

Volunteers Main Force In American Red Cross Team

Service To Community, Selfless Sacrifice — A Team Effort Approach

BY MILT SHEELY

Born out of the need of families of American military men called to serve the country in war in 1917, once again in 1967 Kern Chapter of the American Red Cross faces the challenge of steadily increasing responsibility and opportunities for service to families as a result of the Viet Nam conflict.

Although the Red Cross is charged by Congress with specific duties, it is not a tax-supported agency. It is supported by the voluntary contributions of the American people.

The Red Cross is primarily a service organization, devoted to human welfare and the relief of suffering. Although tangibles such as food, clothing, furniture, housing, and medical care for disaster victims and financial assistance to servicemen in time of emergency are given as part of the Red Cross program, service is the organization's "stock in trade." The costs involved in staffing and equipping the program are part of the service rendered — not overhead. Similarly, when disaster strikes, a team of disaster specialists mobilizes and directs an army of volunteers to bring order and relief out of chaos for the victims of flood, hurricane, forest fire, or tornado. Maintaining the disaster staff is part of the cost of service.

If the value of the services given by two million volunteers

could be estimated and added to the total Red Cross operating expense, the comparative cost of overhead, attributable to direction and management, would be very small indeed.

The American Red Cross is an organization of volunteer leadership, volunteer service, and volunteer support. Throughout the years a adult and youth volunteers have kept the American Red Cross as a major current in the stream of American life.

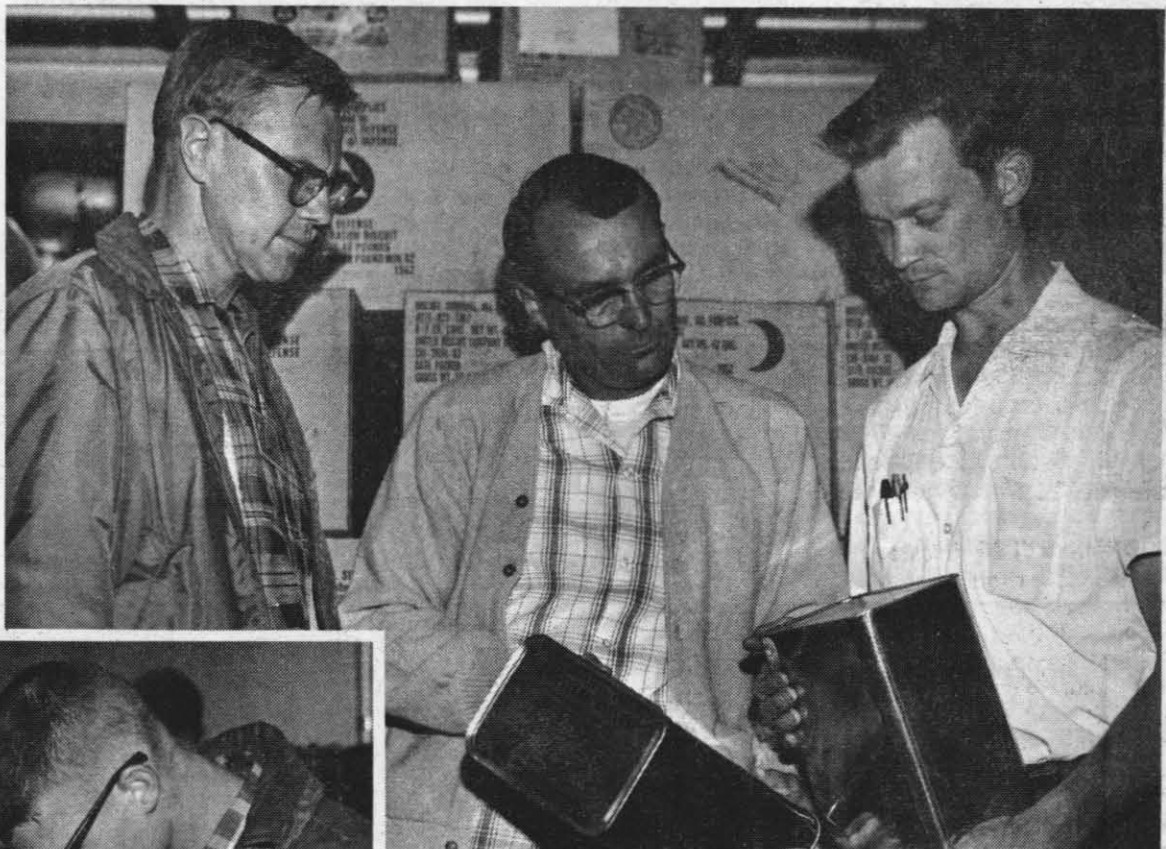
Last year during the Kern County Flood, the American Red Cross had set aside \$24,000 to be used for the disaster victims in the Rehabilitation Program. A program set up to help the evacuees, victims of the flood to get back on their feet once again. The money, given to the victims in the form of a "certificate" was used to purchase a needed trailer or for the temporary renting of quarters. Of course this service was limited and was issued only to those victims who had no other source of available income.

The American Red Cross volunteer program has been going "strong" at the Naval Weapons Center for 20 years now, ever since the base was first in operation. According to volunteer officials at NWC, this program is rather unique.

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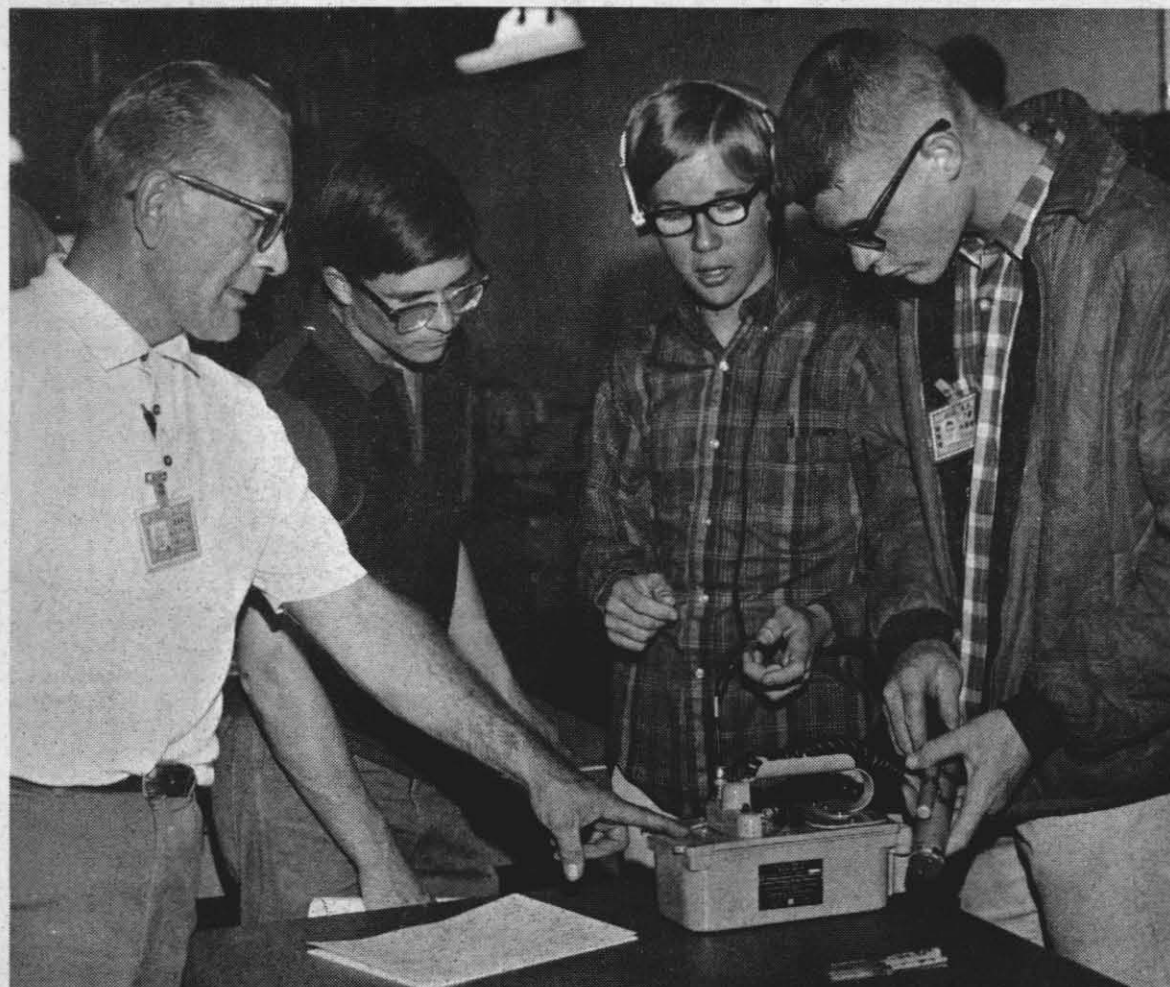
VOLUNTEERS MEET DIRECTORS — Concerned with the welfare of military and civilian personnel and their families on the Center and in the Indian Wells Valley areas is of primary importance to these American Red Cross members. Shown here are (left) Mrs. Robert Williamson II, chairman of volunteers and NWC Hospital volunteer;



FIRST AID STUDENTS — As part of their first aid instruction, these first aid students are given a briefing on the storing of vital water and other supplies to be used in emergencies only at the Naval Weapons Center. Chairman for the local disaster preparedness program is Bernard Sword.

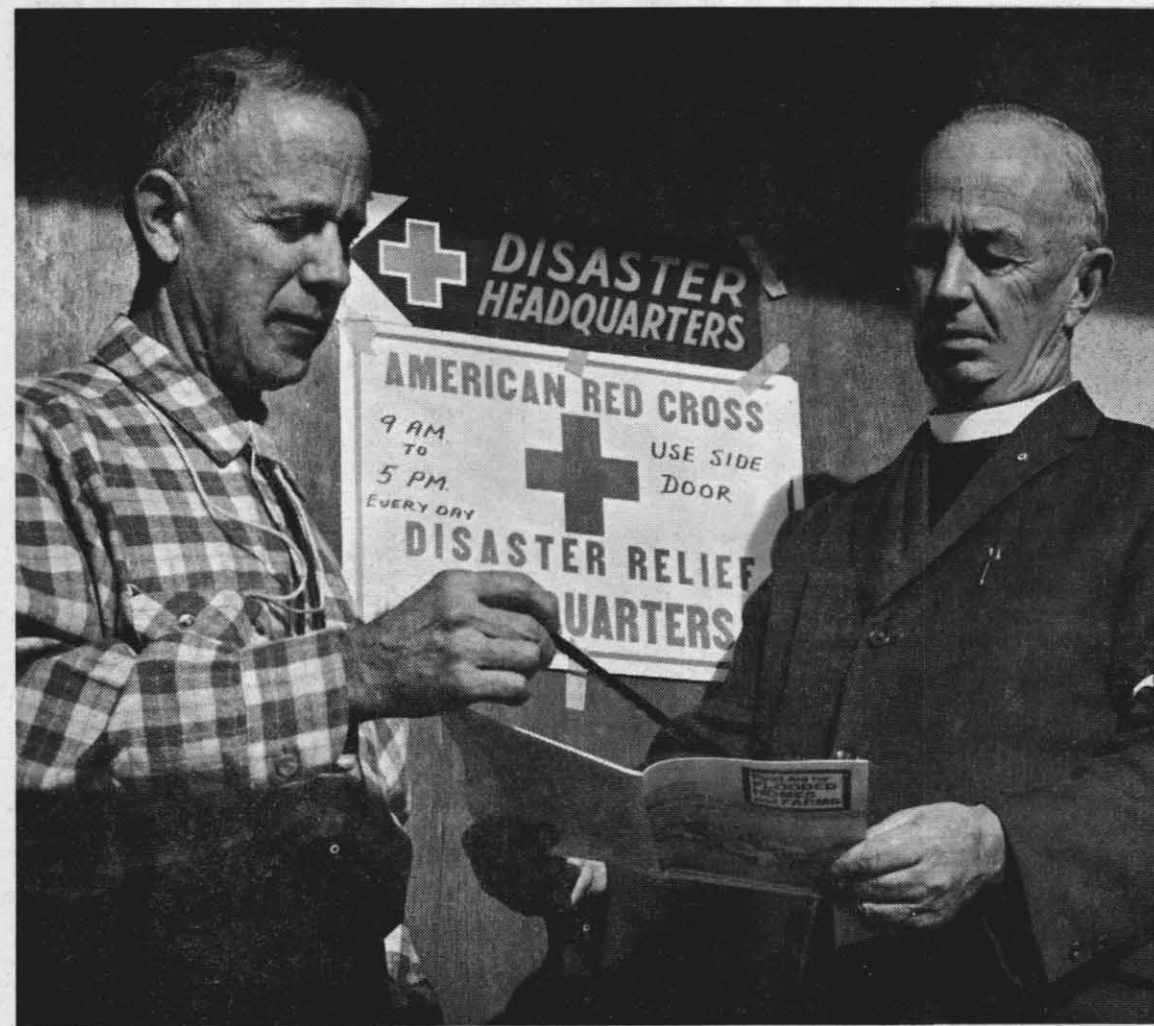


supplies, etc. (Right) Two Mother and Child Care classes are taught at Naval Weapons Center each year for expectant parents. Chairman for this service is Mrs. Joseph Stone. More than 120 Red Cross volunteers participate in similar services.



POOLING RESOURCES—Civil Defense volunteers and American Red Cross volunteers pool their resources required in the event disaster strikes the local communities. Pooled operations such as these tend to eliminate a duplication of operation, money,

Your Red Cross is there in time of need!



COORDINATING disaster relief, Rev. Gordon C. Ashbee of Bakersfield, Kern Red Cross unit chairman, and William Budd, disaster specialist from San Francisco office of the international charitable organization, discuss the figures compiled on the mounting damages occurring during the flood. During last year's Kern River Flood, Kern County Red Cross workers estimated damages to homes, trailers, boats, and businesses in the area had reached more than \$1,500,000. Rev. Ashbee had estimated that \$100,000 was needed by the chapter to help those who had applied for disaster aid and who were in no way covered by insurance. The flood caused such serious damage that the Governor declared the area a "Disaster Area" on December 9, 1966.



DONATION GLADLY ACCEPTED — Donald W. Moore, president of the United Fund Board, presents Mrs. Jackie Witt, Naval Weapons Center hospital Red Cross volunteer, a check for the American Red Cross. American Red Cross is one of several volunteer organizations included in the annual United Fund Campaign Fund Drive in civilian communities and military installations.



EVACUEES GET HELP — A man and wife, both evacuees of the Kern River Flood last year receive help from William Budd, disaster specialist, and his assistant Alice Otsea. The 40-hour rainstorm caused about \$4 million in damage to public and private property, according to the unofficial estimates. Budd had estimated that losses to homeowners alone

as a result of flood damage, would amount to \$88,000. Another big loss was \$522,000 suffered by six businesses in the Lake Isabella area. Three hundred persons were given food and shelter in the Odd Fellows Hall at Kernville, in private homes and motels which were able to operate and render emergency help during the flooding conditions.



Volunteers, Main Force in Areas Red Cross Team

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There is no Red Cross Field Director at NWC, in fact the closest director is located at Edwards Air Force Base — Stacy Wagner Jr. To offset this situation, NWC Red Cross volunteers man the services available to personnel at the Center. Entirely covered by volunteers, the duty worker can always be reached by calling Ext. 111. The more than 120 Red Cross volunteers at China Lake have chalked up an impressive record during the past year and have worked more than 10,000 volunteer hours to service the needs of this growing military community.

Under the supervision and general guidance of the Indian Wells Valley Branch of the Kern Chapter of the American Red Cross, members consist of the following people: Mmes. Robert Williamson II, Chairman of the Volunteers; Robert Dillinger, co-chairman; William Heim, secretary, and Fred Ashbrook, treasurer.

Committee chairmen are Mmes. Frederick Chenaault, casework volunteer; Ernie George, assistant chairman; John Cox, first aid; Joseph Stone, home nursing; Leonard Licwinko, Junior ARC; Clarence Renne, production; Bernard Sword is chairman of the disaster program and Kel Bennett, water safety, with John Strang, publicity.

The Indian Wells Valley Branch has 121 volunteers working in various programs at this Center. Programs carried on during the past year are: instructional — with 12 first aid instructors teaching standard and advanced first aid; more than 20 water safety instructors, and two mother and child care classes taught during the year.

In addition, there are programs in disaster preparedness, service programs, to include the casework volunteers, hospital and production volunteers.

The NWC Red Cross office is located at 55 S. Lauritsen with office hours on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 12 to 2 p.m. Red Cross service is available around the clock every day of the year. If in need of help, keep this phone number in mind — 111 — The American Red Cross duty worker can be reached at this number.

As a lasting tribute to all those associated with a very worthwhile organization, this is an occasion to quote, in part, the following: "It shall be well for the American Red Cross and those who serve it to dedicate themselves anew to comfort the distressed, to shelter the homeless, to bind up the wounds of the maimed and give rest to the weary; and to call forth, in evergrowing numbers, the selfless volunteers who joyously, in the freedom and abundance of our blessed land, join their hands and hearts in the service of their fellows everywhere."

Sure sign of spring: When all the good roads are blocked off for repair.

Holiday Safety Message

It is my sincere wish that all personnel of the Naval Weapons Center have a happy and rewarding holiday with their friends and families.

I am deeply concerned for those traveling over highways and roads over the holidays. According to what is known about taking risks on the highways, some people are more likely to get involved in accidents than others. If you drive while fatigued or shortly after drinking, the risk may increase as much as 20 to 50 times more than the average.

In fact there is a high probability that some individuals will take a greater risk on the highway than our fighting men in Viet Nam. A risk such as this may be justified on a battlefield; taking unnecessary risks on the highway serves no purpose.

Let us make this an accident-free holiday. We need each of you here and want you back in good health.

CAPTAIN M. R. ETHERIDGE,
Commander, Naval Weapons Center



HOLIDAY SAFETY REPRESENTATIVES— The annual Christmas and New Year holiday safety program for Naval Weapons Center military and civilian personnel was conducted by (left) Commander H. E. Byrd, NWC Legal Officer; Billy Hise, NWC Safety Assistant; California Highway Patrol Officer Norman Price, guest speaker; K. Skaar, Head, NWC Safety Department, and Captain R. Williamson II, NWC Executive Officer.

Annual Holiday Safety Program Features Highway Patrolman Price

personnel at NWC who are traveling during the long holiday period.

He listed the following precautions that may be taken by every vehicle driver to help insure his safety and the safety of others.

Make it a point to check the mechanical condition of your car, the captain mentioned. Be sure to check the tires for ample tread to help you hold to the road as a guarantee for quick stopping. Check all lights and be certain they are in good working condition, including turn signals and brake lights. Check and adjust the brakes if necessary and be sure of other equipment such as the horn, and windshield wipers are in working order.

Don't drive over the limitations of your car.

Check yourself—don't drive over your limitations either. Don't push yourself. Stop for food and rest. Avoid driving during the late evening and early morning hours when you are tired. Use your seat belts fastened securely around you and insist your passengers wear them also. Allow ample time for the trip to and from your destination.

Stay alert! Don't challenge—give up the right-of-way, if necessary. Drive at a speed that is safe for conditions. Check for caution signs and take preventive action early. Always maintain control of your vehicle and be prepared to stop for an emergency situation that might develop.

And last of all—don't mix gasoline and alcohol. Traffic Officers can be expected to show no leniency for those mixing the two liquids.

Officer Norman Price of the California Highway Patrol showed a film, "The Unteachables" which illustrated causes of accidents. He later listed the major causes of accidents in this area.

The number one cause of accidents is drivers disobeying the basic speed law of California, that you must drive your car in a safe, prudent manner at all times. Many drivers are careless, negligent, inattentive or emotionally disturbed — they have a fight and take it out in their driving, or they are chasing a bee out of the car, spilled a coke or dropped a cigarette. Officer Price quoted one man as saying "he was looking at the stars."

Other causes of accidents in this area are as follows: right-of-way violations; improper lane changes; equipment failure; smooth tires and blowouts; smooth tires in wet weather; driving while under the influence (in 1966 there were 66 arrests in December); driving too close is a major cause of accidents on the freeways, and driving on the wrong side of the road.

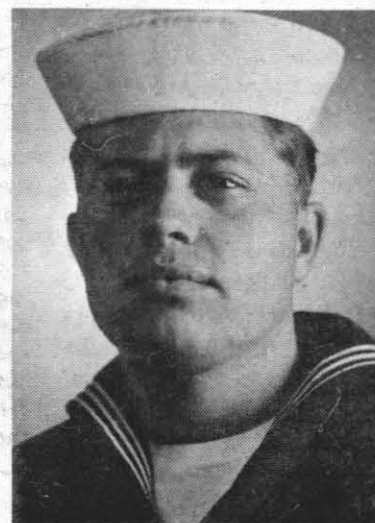
There were 25 fatalities in 1962; 29 in 1963; 49 in 1964; 20 in 1965; 29 in 1966; and so far in 1967 there have been 22 fatalities in the Mojave area (as far south as Boron, West to Tehachapi, East to Trona, and north as far as Inyokern). About 400 persons were injured each year. This week the totals of fatalities in the State of California were 4,404.

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Plane Captains of the Month



AN KIVA S. MILLER represents the best of VX-5 this December as its Plane Captain of the Month. He joined the Navy in his home town of Brooklyn, N.Y., in August of last year, and took his boot training at Great Lakes. He reported to VX-5 last April, and works on A-4 aircraft. The sports-oriented young bachelor brought with him skills in football, shot-put, handball, horseback riding and weight-lifting. He once played semi-pro football with the Brooklyn Hurricanes. AN Miller will leave China Lake Monday, Dec. 18, for duty aboard the USS Constellation.



ADJ-3 HAROLD M. CRISP of NAF has been chosen its Plane Captain of the Month for December. He joined the Navy two years ago in his home town of Whitmire, South Carolina, took his boot training at San Diego, and arrived at China Lake in January, 1966. At NAF he works with TF10-B aircraft and is also his shop's Safety Petty Officer. ADJ-3 Crisp takes advantage of his bachelorhood to get in his bird and deer hunting in the Greenhorn Mountains and the Kennedy Meadow area whenever the occasion offers, and to visit parks and landmarks roundabout.

Holiday Displays Readied for Xmas Season Showings

The Maturango Museum will not be open on the Sundays which fall on Christmas and New Year's Eve this year, but Valley families are urged to bring guests to the visitors center on the preceding Saturdays, December 23 and 30, between 2 and 5 p.m.

Several dramatic new items have been added in time for the holiday season. A collection of stamps from all over the world featuring pictures of butterflies, beetles, and kindred insects, are colorfully portrayed against a background of flora authentically associated with them. Also new are displays of replicas of historical diamonds of the world, hand cut from quartz crystals, and the start of a window-full of American Indian handicraft.

A number of desert-oriented publications, other gifts typical of the local area and Christmas cards with desert motifs, are available as last-minute suggestions. Anyone desiring to tour the visitors center on a weekday is invited to call NWC Ext. 723683 for the daily operating schedule.

m. Thomas H. Moorer, CNO

MR. DOWNS: And if the Russians are going to patrol and protect the sea lanes of the seven seas, doesn't it follow that we have to do the same thing?

ADMIRAL MOORER: I would say so, depending on where the center of power happens to shift at the time.

MR. CLARK: You mentioned, Admiral, the growing Soviet merchant fleet and some members of Congress are quite concerned about this. Some of them are alarmed about it. They say that we are falling far behind in construction of new merchant vessels.

Is this part of the sea power problem to be worried about, do you think?

ADMIRAL MOORER: Yes, certainly. The merchant fleet and the combat fleet and the fishing fleet and the oceanographic fleets and so on are all part and parcel of sea power in the broad sense. And I think that this is an area again in view of the fact that we have long coastlines on two of the largest oceans, this is an area in which we cannot afford to be second best.

MR. DOWNS: Well, are we winning that (Vietnamese) war? Can we win it?

ADMIRAL MOORER: Mr. Downs, I think rather than putting it in the context of winning in the sense that we had during World War II, the policy of unconditional surrender, one must view this particular war in the view of objectives. We have stated, for instance, that we seek no wider war; that we do not have the desire to overthrow the North Vietnamese Government; that we simply are directing our efforts towards stopping aggression and insuring that South Vietnam can go their democratic way in an environment of freedom. So in a sense of achievement

our objectives, I think we definitely are achieving our objectives.

MR. DOWNS: There have also been other proposals arising from many quarters, including here in Washington, that we should try another bomb pause. How do you feel about that?

ADMIRAL MOORER: Let me comment on the first point first.

The Joint Chiefs are charged with the responsibility of giving military advice and naval advice to the President, who is the Commander in Chief, through the Secretary of Defense. We have done this using our experience and the best knowledge we have and this, in turn, is passed up to the President.

Now, like any executive organization, the President is required to balance between all of the inputs, be they economic, political or military, and he has the awesome responsibility of making the decision. And I don't think you always find complete agreement on such major problems as those we consider. As a matter of fact, I think any organization, including a business or civic organization and so on, operates exactly like the Executive Branch of our government. If you had total agreement in every organization, you wouldn't have a democratic organization, you would have a dictatorship. People would not give their honest views because they would be afraid of the consequences.

I can say that the Joint Chiefs have given their honest views, some of which have been accepted and some of which haven't.

MR. CLARK: Well, do you now feel we are hitting all of the military targets we should be hitting in North Vietnam?

MR. DOWNS: One of the symbols of this so called argument over targets — and this is the time of year when every Congressman has a Field Marshal's baton in his briefcase — they say that we should close down — bomb Haiphong at least, close down that port; mine it; at any rate, stop the flow of some 70 per cent of the war goods that is supposed to come through there. Would you favor that?

ADMIRAL MOORER: I must say first that we do have now many lucrative targets in the vicinity of Haiphong and we are making a very effective effort towards cutting down the rate at which supplies are imported.

Now, from a purely military point of view, I have supported the mining of Haiphong. But again it comes back to this integration of all of the factors and consequently I am sure that the President must ask himself the question, "Does this make more problems than it solves?" So far he has apparently given a "yes" to that question.

MR. CLARK: You seem to be saying that the decision on

whether to mine the port of Haiphong would basically be a political one and that presumably would be the big question of what the reaction of the Russians would be if we mined the harbor and sank a Russian ship: is that what disturbs you?

ADMIRAL MOORER: Of course that is a fair statement. This has been the problem all along, I think.

MR. DOWNS: How concerned are you about the entrance of Red China into the war now that we are bombing so close to the borders?

ADMIRAL MOORER: I don't think there is any possibility or probability of Red China entering the war under the conditions which are now being waged.

MR. DOWNS: Why? ADMIRAL MOORER: Simply because, again, they must ask themselves the question, "Does this make more problems than it solves?"

MR. CLARK: We wanted to ask you one quick final question, Admiral, about how concerned you are about the shortage of Navy pilots?

ADMIRAL MOORER: Well, the availability of pilots, of course, is determined by many things. We do have all of the cockpits in Southeast Asia filled. However, our concern revolves around first, the exposure time. That is, how many times does an individual pilot find himself over North Vietnam and, secondly, do we have enough pilots to fill what we call supplemental billets? That is, to go to post-graduate schools, to man the technical organizations that design new aircraft, to train new pilots and things of that kind. So what we must really solve is the retention of pilots rather than the input. That is the quickest way to provide the necessary pilots.

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Lt. Col. Rice, Senior Marine Officer Awarded DFC, BSM at NWC Ceremonies

Senior Marine Officer Lt. Col. K. P. Rice stationed at the Naval Weapons Center was presented the Distinguished Flying Cross and Bronze Star Medal by Captain R. Williamson II, NWC Executive Officer, during a Captain's Personnel Inspection.

Colonel Rice, a native of Fresno, California, earned his DFC while participating in aerial flights over Viet Nam. His BSM was received for his work and accomplishments as Squadron Commander during his tour of duty in Viet Nam. Not presented during the ceremony, but earned while serving in Viet Nam, was the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with silver star.

In November, 1942, Colonel Rice entered the U.S. Marine Corps and during the remainder of World War II had various stateside assignments.

During 1953, he attended post-graduate school at Monterey, California and in 1954 received his Master of Science degree in Aeronautical Engineering from Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT).

This is Colonel Rice's second tour of duty here. In early



DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS PLUS ONE — Captain R. Williamson II, NWC Executive Officer (left) pins the Distinguished Flying Cross on the tunic of Marine Lt. Col. K. P. Rice during recent Captain's Personnel Inspection here. Colonel Rice also received the Bronze Star Medal. Both awards were made for the Marine officer's participation in Viet Nam. A rated officer, Colonel Rice is the Senior Marine Officer now serving at this Weapons Center.

Corona Laboratories

New Employees Get Briefing On NWC Corona Labs

Forty-four recently hired employees of the Naval Weapons Center Corona Laboratories participated in a lengthy indoctrination course presented by the Education Office, Code 094. They were new employees who had not previously had an opportunity to get an overview of the establishment.

Spokesmen for the departments presented the Laboratory's organizational structure of staff, support, and technical departments. Special lectures were presented by the Education Officer, Personnel, Security and Fire representatives.

Five areas of the Laboratory were visited in an afternoon tour. A Code 70 display of missile models and hardware was explained by D. R. Stapleton. The analog computer was described by D. L. Christensen; library facilities were enumerated by W. R. Turnbull Jr.; E. E. Barilotti demonstrated the environmental testing devices; and H. J. McBlaine conducted the visit through the Computer Center.

Correspondents Interview Ad

Interviewed by:

Bill Downs, ABC Pentagon Correspondent
Bob Clark, ABC Capitol Hill Correspondent

MR. DOWNS: Admiral, are you concerned about a rising tide of anti-war sentiment in this country?

ADMIRAL MOORER: Well, Mr. Downs, I think that these demonstrations, as you put it, are unfortunate. I certainly don't think that they are viewed with much approval by our men fighting in Vietnam. Of course, our Constitution guarantees this right of assembly so long as there is no violence. But I am equally confident that the majority of the American people do not approve of this.

MR. CLARK: Did you, Admiral, or did the Department of Defense have any intelligence information indicating that the sort of violence that occurred at the Pentagon yesterday could be expected?

ADMIRAL MOORER: No, I think that any time you have a large group of people of this nature, that there is always a danger of having some violence and this is why I said they are unfortunate. Of course, in my capacity as Chief of Naval Operations, I had no direct responsibility for handling this particular situation and I might say jokingly that unless the demonstrators swim up the Potomac or walk on water, I doubt that I will have responsibility of this kind in the future.

MR. DOWNS: There seems to be a move under way by some elements of the protest movement to internationalize this struggle. I mean you have a committee out there that was calling itself the National Committee to Aid the Viet Cong Liberation Front. You have Stokeley Carmichael

going to Havana, Hanoi and other places.

Do you believe that this is a new form of Comintern, or is there Communist influence or outside or foreign direction? Does your intelligence show any of this?

ADMIRAL MOORER: No, I don't think there is anything at all new about this. As a matter of fact, this technique has been used many, many times before, and certainly in this particular case the objective is to more or less remove support for our actions in Vietnam — but there is absolutely nothing new about this.

MR. DOWNS: Secretary McNamara has indicated that the Armed Services are performing an educational and sociological service to the nation by opening up the military services on an equal basis to the Negro who is, in civilian life, not fully accepted into our society. Do you believe this is a function of the Navy?

ADMIRAL MOORER: Well, I think that it is a function of the services to do anything they can to strengthen the country and I think that the statement that you refer to is a true one. We are doing everything we can to help solve this problem and as long as a man can perform his duties properly, well, he is certainly satisfactory to the Navy.

MR. DOWNS: Well, Admiral, speaking as a father — you are a father of four children — what do you think is wrong with this generation, if anything, and what would you do as a person to solve it?

ADMIRAL MOORER: Well, I am glad you asked me that question because there is absolutely nothing wrong with this generation. One only has to go to Vietnam and see the young men that are performing out

there to be reassured, Mr. Downs. The generation of today is more competent, better motivated; and when given a purpose and given an assignment, they are certainly doing things with very complex equipment in an environment of great danger in such a way that it should make all Americans proud. And looking back over my some 30-plus years in the Navy, I don't recall ever having seen a group in uniform that perform their duty better than the young professionals we have in our services today.

MR. CLARK: Well, I think you would agree, Admiral, that there is a deepening concern among Americans over the Vietnam war. How would you define the right of dissent during this period?

ADMIRAL MOORER: I think, as I mentioned before, that the Constitution guarantees assembly, without violence, and so I support the Constitution. Any action that does not violate the law, I think is all right.

MR. DOWNS: What would you do with people who burn draft cards?

ADMIRAL MOORER: There again if it turns out to be a violation of the law, they must suffer the consequences.

MR. CLARK: Admiral, if you can turn to another subject, Egyptian missile boats sank an Israeli destroyer in the Mediterranean near the Suez Canal and these were missile boats apparently equipped by the Soviets. Is it a proper assumption this destroyer was sunk by a Soviet missile, do you think?

ADMIRAL MOORER: Certainly if it was sunk by Egyptian forces it was undoubtedly sunk with equipment provided by the Soviets.

MR. CLARK: Are you concerned about the degree of naval assistance that the Soviets

have given to the Egyptian forces?

ADMIRAL MOORER: Well, I am not particularly concerned with that specific but I think that it is quite evident that the Soviets are building a rather large navy and deploying it worldwide, including in the Mediterranean.

MR. DOWNS: Well, we have carried on a policy of trying to keep the forces in the Middle East balanced. The loss of an Israeli destroyer means that it may be one-half or one-third of that navy has been sunk. Would we supply a new destroyer to the Israelis, do you know?

ADMIRAL MOORER: I couldn't answer that, Mr. Downs, but I would say that generally speaking, particularly in a limited area such as one finds in the Eastern Mediterranean, it is not what we call a counter-force situation. In other words, destroyers don't fight destroyers and torpedo boats fight torpedo boats, and submarines fight submarines and so on. You have a mix of all types of ships plus aircraft. So this doesn't necessarily — if you are suggesting such a thing — generate an imbalance of power, so to speak, or an imbalance.

MR. CLARK: Admiral, do you see the growing force of the Soviet Navy as a potential threat to the American Sixth Fleet in the Mediterranean?

ADMIRAL MOORER: I think by any yardstick the Soviets have the second largest navy in the world. I think that they are changing their method of operation in the sense that no longer do they simply remain in their own ports and along their own coastlines. They are beginning now to deploy at greater distances from their bases and at the same time they are certainly in the process of con-

structing a very large, modern, efficient merchant marine. In that sense I think that we must expect to see a Soviet presence, so to speak, in many areas of the world where it was not noted before.

MR. CLARK: What is your latest estimate of the size of the Soviet submarine fleet?

ADMIRAL MOORER: Well, they have somewhere in excess of 300 submarines.

MR. DOWNS: As compared with how many for us?

ADMIRAL MOORER: Well, we have in excess of 100, but here again I would repeat that naval operations in particular do not take a counter-force character. In other words, it takes all kinds of forces to fight at sea.

MR. CLARK: What do you think is the Russian's motive in building this huge submarine fleet?

ADMIRAL MOORER: Well, the motive undoubtedly is to permit them to, as I said, to operate worldwide rather than simply along the coastlines. They have observed during this century that the United States on several occasions has more or less projected their power overseas. In addition to that, the NATO Treaty Organization of course, as the name indicates, is an Atlantic treaty. In other words it amounts to a maritime alliance.

MR. DOWNS: Well, aren't we going to have a naval balance of power crisis about 1970 in the Pacific when the British withdraw their naval forces east of Suez?

ADMIRAL MOORER: Of course this will be a rather gradual withdrawal. It is not simply a matter of the British forming a disposition of ships and steaming back to the British Isles, but this, Mr. Downs, is something that must be watched very carefully.

Capt. Wessel Assumed Command Of NWC Corona Laboratories Dec. 6



CHANGE OF COMMAND — Captain R. L. Wessel (l) reads orders while Captain E. B. Jarman waits to be relieved of Command of the Naval Weapons Center Corona Laboratories, in an outdoor ceremony December 6.

Captain Robert L. Wessel relieved Captain Edward B. Jarman of command of the Naval Weapons Center Corona Laboratories in a colorful ceremony, Wednesday, December 6. The outdoor event took place on the sloping lawn at the rear of the Laboratory's auditorium building at 3:30 in the afternoon.

Three hundred invited guests and community leaders witnessed the military change-over, as did another 400 personnel of the Laboratory. A color guard, and music from the Cruiser-Destroyer Force Pacific band contributed an air of gaiety to the occasion.

Following presentations of Colors and the National Anthem, the invocation was given by Monsignor M. J. Thompson.

Safety Program Features Highway Patrolman Price

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Cdr. H. E. Byrd discussed the "Legal Aspects of an Accident." He mentioned two amendments to current motor vehicle laws. Minimum insurance coverage in the State of California will go up effective July 1, 1968. The present minimum requirement is 10-20-5. In the future it will be 15-30-5. This means the insurance company will pay \$15,000 for any one injury, \$30,000 in any one accident and \$5,000 property damage.

You must file a statement of financial responsibility in case of death or injury or property damage in excess of \$200. (This went into effect November 8, previously it was \$100 damage.)

He also explained that if you receive a ticket for a violation in San Diego or Fresno, you cannot escape paying because you are at a considerable distance away. Weekly, he stated, Sheriff's deputies appear at the main gate of NWC with a warrant for either a military or civilian person who has neglected a traffic violation. These persons are surrendered to the Sheriff and must pay an additional fine added to the previous one.

Captain M. R. Etheridge, NWC Commander, spoke briefly on the work of the Laboratory, past and future, and its importance to the Fleet and to the Country.

Captain Jarman's farewell address urged Laboratory people to carry on the work and dedication which he had found so plentiful here. He then read his detaching orders.

The benediction by Chaplain E. J. Conover, spoken during the muted playing of the Navy hymn, completed the ceremony which was presided over by Commander R. E. Forbis, Executive Officer of the Laboratory.

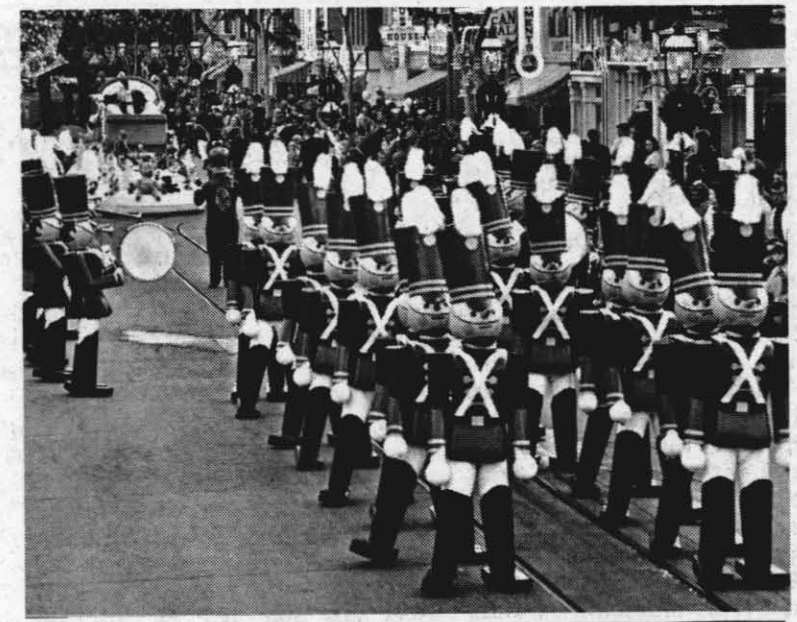
Others in the official party on stage were Captain F. J. Heiler of the Fleet Missile Systems Analysis and Evaluation Group, and Dr. F. S. Atchison, Technical Director of the Corona Laboratories.

An unexpected highlight of the program was the surprise presentation to Captain Wessel of the Joint Service Commendation Medal for "meritorious service while attached to the Lawrence Radiation Laboratory." Captain Jarman read the letter of certification, and pinned the medal on Captain Wessel.

A reception in the Norconian Club followed the ceremony at which hors d'oeuvres were served compliments of the Riverside-Corona Council of the Navy League. A large crowd filled the Club house to extend best wishes to the new Commanding Officer, who with his family, Captain Jarman and his family, and Commander Forbis, formed the reception line.

Capping the day's activities was a dinner honoring Captain and Mrs. Wessel at the Copper Skillet in Corona, given by the Navy League. Captain and Mrs. Etheridge, Captain and Mrs. Jarman, and Commander and Mrs. Forbis were special guests. Ira "Cal" Calvert, President of the League Council, presided over the informal program.

'Fantasy On Parade'



GIANT WOODEN soldiers lead the way for Santa Claus and his sleigh full of toys making their way down Disneyland's Main Street U.S.A. in Walt Disney's Fantasy on Parade, a twice daily feature at the Magic Kingdom during the Christmas season. Premier performance is tomorrow at 9 p.m. Magic Kingdom Club Cards may be obtained at the Community Center, from Mrs. Ann Seitz, Ext. 72010.

Christmas Dinner Reservations

It is the desire of the Food Service Department of the Naval Weapons Center to expedite the preparation and service of our Christmas Dinner to be served between the hours of 12 noon and 1:30 p.m. on December 25, 1967.

Reservations will be accepted from 7:30 a.m. Monday December 11, through 10 a.m. Friday, December 22, for all personnel not authorized to subsist in the General Mess. Reservations should be made and tickets picked up at the Food Service Office, Building 851.

All personnel on commuted rations and retired military personnel who wish to attend and bring their families and friends, are also requested to make reservations.

It would be appreciated if all members of the General Mess would register at the door of either the NWC or NAF galley.

The Prices for Christmas Dinner 1967

	Cost of Meal	Surcharge	Total
Enlisted personnel on COMRATS	.55	.00	.55
Retired enlisted personnel	.55	.00	.55
Dependents, civilian guests and officers	1.00	.15	1.15
Officers drawing per diem	1.00	.45	1.45
Children under 12 years	.50	.15	.65



Visit a House of God



Home Decorating Contest Outlined

The China Lake Community Council and the Ridgecrest Chamber of Commerce are sponsoring the 1967 Christmas Decorating Contest, with three different categories for judging and \$150 in prizes for winners.

Residence decorations, announced Ken Miller, president of the China Lake Community Council. Judging categories are: best outside yard decoration and sweepstakes decorating of both window and yard.

Miller said that criteria for judging will include artistic merit, originality, ingenuity, and lighting technique, and best window and best yard display. Prizes for first, second, and third places will be \$25, \$15, and \$10, respectively. The sweepstakes prize is \$50.

A committee of six (three each from China Lake and Ridgecrest) will judge the entries. Contest representatives from the China Lake Community Council are Larry Mason, Hazel Campbell, and Ken Miller. Chairman of a three-man committee from the Ridgecrest Chamber of Commerce is Gene Richardson.

Deadline for receipt of entries is Wednesday, December 20. Judging will take place during the evenings of December 21-22.

Christmas Home Decoration Contest application form is included below for interested persons desiring to enter the contest.

Christmas Home Decoration Contest Entry Application

I will have an entry in the following division of the Christmas Home Decoration Contest, sponsored jointly by the China Lake Community Council and the Ridgecrest Chamber of Commerce.

Check one only:
 Window Decorations
 Outside Yard Decorations
 Sweepstakes (requires both window and outside yard decorations).

Name..... Phone.....
Address.....

Entries must be mailed to the Christmas Home Decorating Contest, c/o Ridgecrest Chamber of Commerce, 201 Panamint St., Ridgecrest, Calif. 93555. Deadline for receipt of entries is Wednesday, December 20.



NWC Residents Urged To Practice Fire Safety During Xmas Season

Naval Weapons Center Fire Department officials want to insure that China Lake residents enjoy a safe and happy holiday season by offering the following safety precautions. These suggestions, it is hoped, will help make the holidays more enjoyable through the knowledge that NWC personnel have taken reasonable precautions for the safety of their loved ones and their friends.

In case of fire, the telephone numbers to call are Ext. 71333; for Capehart and Wherry housing areas, Phone 375-4333.

Precautions offered for guidance are:

—Observe care in the selection and use of trees and decorations, and make it a point to choose a "fresh" tree.

—Select a location away from the drying heat of radiators, open flames or heating devices and where the tree will not block paths or exits.

—Cut off the base of the tree at an angle at least one inch above the original cut and keep it standing in water or wet sand.

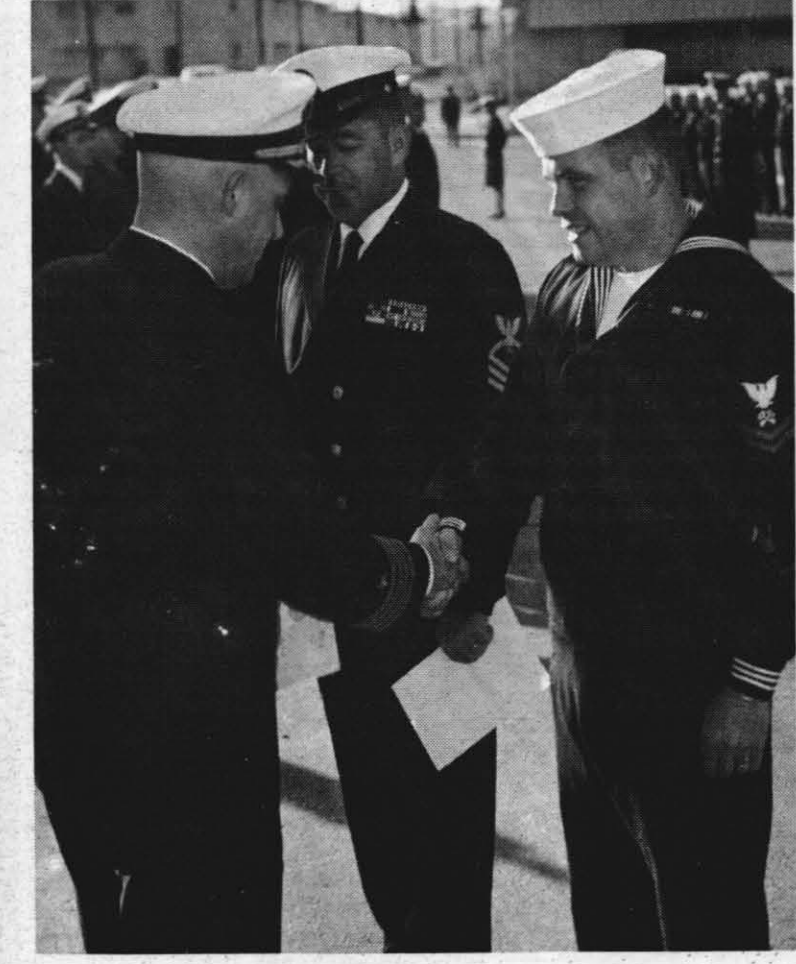
—Christmas tree lighting set or electrically animated decorations, if used, should have the underwriters laboratory approval (UL seal or tag) and should be checked carefully for damaged insulation on wire, loose connections and broken sockets. For a plus factor of fire safety it is advisable to arrange a remote turnoff for tree lights. Always turn off lights before retiring or leaving the premises.

—Avoid the use of combustible decorations on or around the base of the Christmas tree.

—Avoid smoking near Christmas tree.

—One adult should take sole responsibility for checking the tree daily, adding water, watching for scorched needles near lights, seeing that tinsel does not hang near light sockets as boughs sag, and removing the tree when needles become dry and brittle. Dry trees are a serious fire hazard.

—Remove gift wrapping tissue, shredded paper, excelsior packing and other combustible rubbish immediately. . . they add nothing to the Christmas spirit except danger.



GOOD CONDUCT MEDALS — Captain R. Williamson II, NWC Executive Officer congratulates SK2 Ronald K. Regan after presenting him his second Good Conduct Medal during the recent Captain's Personnel Inspection at Naval Weapons Center. Captain Williamson also presented CSC Estes I. Jones (left) his fifth Good Conduct Medal. Both men are assigned to the NWC Commissary Division. Regan's hometown is Seattle, Washington; Estes is from Grore, Washington.

THE LOCKER ROOM

Operation Red Wagon

By ED RANCK



It has been said many times, and few can truly argue the point, that war usually brings out the worst in mankind. But it is also true that war can bring out the best in individual men.

You might call "Operation Red Wagon" one of the more pleasant by-products of the war in Viet Nam. It's not an elaborate scheme involving millions of dollars in charity, in fact nothing at all is given away.

THE IDEA

The idea for "Operation Red Wagon" came to Abbott one day while he was on a jeep patrol near Cam Lo. He saw several Vietnamese children pulling each other in their version of a toy wagon.

When he returned to camp that evening, he found a mail order catalog with a picture of the wagon he had in mind, and wrote to his wife telling her to send him one.

He couldn't forget the idea of those children who had so little, owning a bright red wagon, and the idea of providing more than just one wagon began to take shape.

INTERNATIONAL TRAPSHOOTER

Abbott has a long and distinguished record as an international trapshooter. He has been a member of two United States world championship teams, and an alternate on two others.

Abbott contacted Taylor, who agreed to help in the project. Soon the ATA had collected money for 109 wagons from its members throughout the country.

Rather than give the wagons away, Abbott and his civil affairs officer prevailed upon the village chiefs to create an incentive program whereby the children could earn their wagons.

The idea was to have the Vietnamese children earn their reward, through cleanliness and education, and in this way raise their standard of living and help them to become productive and self-sufficient citizens in years to come.

SUCCESSFUL PROGRAM

"Operation Red Wagon" has been tremendously successful since its modest beginning just a few months ago. Not only have the Vietnamese in Bill Abbott's area responded, but those members of the ATA in the States who have had a chance to assist in the project have been equally receptive to the idea.

Nearly all the money raised for the program has been through trapshooting events, and through an arrangement with Sears Roebuck and Company, the ATA has been able to channel all contributions into the purchasing and shipping of the wagons to Viet Nam.

"Operation Red Wagon" will be coming to the China Lake area shortly, and those interested in taking part in this worthwhile enterprise will get their chance to do so.

A WORTHY CAUSE

The club has invited all residents of the China Lake-Ridgecrest area to attend the shoot which will begin at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, December 23, with a Christmas turkey being awarded to all winners.

It's a worthwhile event and sounds like a lot of fun. It's going to help a guy named Bill Abbott get his hands on a few red wagons, and it might help a few kids find a future that they never knew existed.

Make Christmas Safe

Cutsinger Rolls Top Bowling Game

Chuck Cutsinger continued his red hot pace at the China Lake Bowl last week. Rolling in the Premier League and the Friday Mixed Foursome, Chuck rolled five 200-plus games and finished the week with an average of over 220.

Mixed Foursome bowlers had one of their finest evenings of the year. Other than Cutsinger's 682, Tom Zurn had 234-593, Fred DeHam rolled 210 and Fred Dalpiaz and Jack Leininger each hit 201.

In the Premier League, Woodard Cosmetics increased their lead to six games, while the remaining five teams continued their scramble for second place.

When he returned to camp that evening, he found a mail order catalog with a picture of the wagon he had in mind, and wrote to his wife telling her to send him one.

Woodard Cosmetics won two games from Tom's Place to increase their lead. The leaders rolled 930-1027-998 for

Register Now For Youth Basketball League at Center

It is still not too late for boys ages 10 through 14 to register for the Youth Activities Basketball Leagues.

Boys ages 10 through 12 inclusive will be placed in the elementary league and should be at the Center Gym at 11 a.m. Saturday.

Boys who are 13 and 14 years of age will be placed in the Junior League and should be at the Center Gym at 9 a.m. Saturday.



GOLF CLUB GUEST — Mrs. M. R. Etheridge (center) receives a hearty handshake from Mrs. Don L. Johnson, president of the Women's China Lake Golf Club during the recent annual Christmas luncheon.

Falcons Heading Vampires in Hoop Action at Center

Aero Science Falcons scored 29 points in the fourth period Tuesday evening as they scored a come from behind 63-41 victory over previously unbeaten VX-5 Rebels.

Premier League Standings

Table with 2 columns: Team Name, W L. Woodard Cosmetics 27 15, Starlite 21 21, Boyd's Auto Parts 20 22, Foremost 19 22 1/2, Mercury Movers 19 22 1/2, Tom's Place 19 23.

California DFG Reminds Anglers

California's two million sport fishermen were reminded by the Department of Fish and Game that their 1967 angling licenses are renewable and should be saved.

For the first time, anglers may renew their license by purchasing new license stamp and the required stamps for inland waters.

American Flag Kits Available

Christmas Day is one of the 19 National holidays when the American flag may be proudly displayed by its citizens.

In order to renew his license, an angler need only present his 1967 license to a license agent and purchase the stamps.

The kits may be obtained at Special Services office by calling O. A. Imer, Ext. 71791 or 72017; the Community Center, Ann Seitz, Ext. 72010, or the Youth Center, Dick Wadman, Ext. 72909.

EDITORIAL

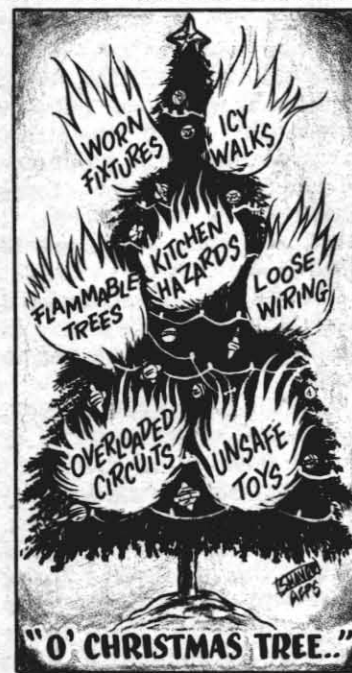
All Through the House

Christmas season, that wonderful, magical time of the year, is here again.

Busy shoppers pause for a moment to greet friends with a cheerful "Merry Christmas". Parties happen on a moment's notice, Christmas trees in living rooms twinkle with lights and bright ornaments.

Children, of course, are concerned with thoughts of shiny bicycles, electric trains, cuddly dolls and new sleds.

Countless hazards around the home are easily overlooked during the hustle and bustle of the holiday season.



For instance, are all those bright colored lights adorning the Christmas tree and framing the windows plugged into the same socket or extension cord?

Are the holiday decorations fireproof? Could a spark from a cigarette or a short circuit set them on fire?

If it is a fresh tree, be sure that you have it sprayed by your local fire department to make it flame-resistant.

If you are using an artificial tree, be sure it is made of material that will not burn.

The soft glow of Christmas candles can change to leaping flames in a moment of carelessness around curtains, draperies and paper decorations.

Be careful of the toys you get for the children. Be sure they are made of non-flammable, non-explosive material and that the paint is non-toxic.

Don't let a moment of thoughtlessness or carelessness spoil Christmas for you. Have a happy, healthy and safe holiday season. (AFPS)

Honor Essential For Survival

(Ed. Note: The following editorial is a portion of an officer leadership lecture written by Lieutenant Commander H. G. Kunkler, flight training officer at the Basic Naval Aviation Officers' School, NAS Pensacola.)

To be a good citizen, a person must have, among other things, patriotism and honor. In this day and age the Old Reliable words are scorned or changed in value.

The dictionary description of honor is filled with old reliable words—esteem, manifestation of respect, honesty, reputation, dignity and courage, excellence of character, integrity.

Let's reflect a bit and think how well we have placed honor above all things.

Is it honorable to deduct a fraction more here and there on our Income Taxes? (No one will ever question me, and if they do I'll just have to pay up.)

How often have we returned loose change when a sales girl made a mistake in our favor? (Serves her right for being stupid.)

How often have you seen someone acquire a few small items for his personal use that belong to the government? (They owe me a few privileges.)

How about cribbing on an exam? (I know the answer, but just can't think of it.)

The man who commits the little error would never stoop to larceny, theft or major crime. But just these little things do as much or more damage than the spectacular felony.

A person without honor cannot be a good citizen and a nation without good citizens cannot stand long.

The United States recently celebrated its 191st birthday, but mark this well: A nation's guarantee to improve or even survive is not dependent on its age, whether it is 50, 100, or 600 years old.

College Readies Evening Classes For Night Hawks

If you have been saying "Someday I'm going back to school," now is the time, according to Dr. H. Parley Kilburn, Dean, Bakersfield College Evening Division.

"For those students planning to enter Bakersfield College Evening Division for the first time, the college placement and aptitude tests must be taken prior to enrollment in English, health education, life science, mathematics, speech, beginning shorthand and general psychology," Dr. Kilburn said.

Entrance examinations for evening students will be given Wednesday, January 10, 1968, at 9:15 a.m. in the Humanities Building, Room 51.

Dr. Kilburn emphasized that any student who plans to register for more than six units must see a counselor.



CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

A very Merry Christmas and a happy and successful New Year to military and civilian personnel and their families of the Naval Weapons Center at China Lake and Corona.

This is a fitting time to compliment members of the military and civilian NWC team on the success of their numerous projects during the past year.

With a feeling of satisfaction in the results of the past year's efforts and looking forward to the future, we wish each and all of you the very best of the Season's warmth and cheer.

CAPTAIN M. R. ETHERIDGE, USN Commander, Naval Weapons Center

H. G. WILSON Acting Technical Director



MERRY CHRISTMAS AT CHAPARRAL — Valley children who attend special education classes were received by Santa Claus (ATN-2 Frank Sheehan) last Saturday at a special Christmas Party at the Chaparral Club.

Twinkle (center, Linda Doughty) and Hinkle (upper right, Cindy Kahley). The Fleet Reserve Association joined the Chaparral Club in sponsoring the event, and is represented here by (upper left, l-r) AEC Bob Packard and AS-1 Floyd Goldy.



LEADERS RELAX — Catholic and Center leaders enjoy festivities at the annual Catholic dinner-dance Dec. 1. Capt. M. R. Etheridge (center), NWC Commander, converses with Msgr. Ryan, pastor of St. Anne's Catholic Church in Ridgecrest.

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

Decisive Babies

By Chaplain Irvin H. Thompson



We often hear someone speak of the decisive battles of history. But now Christmas comes again, engaging the thought and warming the heart of millions around the world, and it concerns not a decisive battle but a decisive baby. "Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given."

There have been some very decisive babies that have changed the world. Moses as a baby was almost killed but he was spared and later led the Israelites out of bondage. Joseph and Mary had to flee into Egypt to save the life of Jesus from the Roman soldiers.

Today with so much unrest around the world and internal strife in America, Christmas suggests how much more decisive a baby can be than a battle.

When Mary gave birth to Jesus in Bethlehem, she bore the decisive elements of the world's life? Surely, Tiberius upon his throne, the Roman Empire's vast extent and power, and Caesar's legions tramping every road — any realistic mind would have pointed to these important factors as the determining elements in mankind's life.

Then in an obscure stable in Bethlehem we see a baby born of a lowly mother. It would have been ridiculous then to have supposed that two thousand years afterward millions of us would be singing of that event.

"Yet in the dark streets shineth

The everlasting Light;

The hopes and fears of all the years.

Are met in thee tonight."

This is the miracle of Christmas — that a baby can be so decisive.

TRADITIONAL CHRISTMAS DINNER MENU

NWC ENLISTED PERSONNEL MESS

- Soup with Saltines Shrimp Cocktail
ROAST TOM TURKEY
Giblet Gravy Onion and Bread Dressing
Cranberry Sauce
Mashed Irish Potatoes Candied Sweet Potatoes
Buttered Green Peas
Fresh Garden Salad
Relish Tray
Pumpkin Pie, Whipped Cream Fruit Cake
Ice Cream, Chocolate Sauce
Assorted Breads, Butter, Jam Milk Coffee
Nuts Candy

PROMOTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

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

Physical Science Technician, GS-7, Code 3022 — Performs a number of tasks involving the setting up, operation, and blacking of film processing equipment. Applicant must have a minimum of one year's general photographic experience which includes film processing and processing of two years' experience must be obtained in the photographic processing analytical procedures utilized in the control of film processing. Incumbent will front analytical and development tests, necessary chemical changes, and develop solutions within processing.

File application for above with Fawn Brockmeyer, Bldg. 34, Rm. 34, Phone 71514.

Electronic Engineer, GS-9, 11 or 12, (One vacancy), Code 2173 — This position is located in the Systems Development Branch, Development Division VII, Aviation Ordnance Department. The incumbent is responsible for the design and development of electronic circuitry associated with a r-borne gyro stabilized, television camera training systems and for the conduct of laboratory testing of such systems. This position requires a knowledgeable background in servomechanisms analysis and design, analog computer techniques and solid-state circuit theory.

File applications with Mary Morrison, Bldg. 34, Rm. 32, Phone 71522.

Helper (Various Options), WB-3, Code 70 — The Public Works Department has current and anticipated future Helper vacancies in the following trades: Electrician, Painter, Rigging, Salvage, Disposal, Pipe Operator, Sheetmetal Worker, Structural Ironworker, Heavy Duty Equipment Mechanic, Automotive Mechanic, Woodworker, Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Mechanic, General, Plumber, Carpenter and Insulator, Plasterer, Tile and Floor Setter, and Heating Equipment Mechanic.

All interested non-temporary employees are invited to apply. Employees who applied for the Helper vacancies advertised in September, 1967, must re-apply again. A helper examination will be scheduled for employees who have not taken the examination and for employees who have taken the examination previously but did not attain a passing score. Non-competitive selection for Helper vacancies will be made from the list of eligible applicants resulting from this ad through March 14, 1968.

File application with Dora Childers, Room 32, Code 497, Phone 71523. Clerk-Typist, GS-3, Code 4003, (Part Time) — Provides clerical support to the Branch Secretary. Types statistical and technical narrative reports, official letters, informal memoranda and forms. Assists with filing and miscellaneous clerical duties within the Branch.

Engineering Technician, GS-9, 11, Code 4014 — Position is located in the Design and Drafting Branch, Weapons Development Department. The duties are to assist project engineers of the Department in designing and documenting weapons components and associated hardware. Applicants must meet civil service qualification requirements, and have a minimum of one year in use of military standards.

File applications for above with June Chip, Bldg. 34, Rm. 26, Phone 72676.

Mechanical Engineer, GS-10-11 or 12, Code 55001-1, Code 5524 — The position is that of Project Engineer in the Mechanical Division, Engineering Department. The incumbent is responsible for the design and/or production engineering design, test, documentation, and evaluation of mechanical components and/or assemblies which improve the productivity, ease of use, conservation of essential materials, and improves the performance and the reliability of military aircraft systems. Advanced degree in mechanical engineering or Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering and a minimum of three years experience in the design and development of inertial systems for guided missiles.

File application for above with Lorena Espe, Bldg. 34, Rm. 34, Phone 71514.

DIVINE SERVICES

- Christian Science (Chapel Annex)—Morning Service—10 a.m. Sunday School—10 a.m.
Protestant—(All Faith Chapel)—Morning Worship—8:15 and 11 a.m. Sunday School—9:30 a.m., Chapel Annexes 1, 2, 3, 4 (Dorms 5, 6, 7, 8) located opposite Center Restaurant.
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 Sacrament Chapel. Saturday, 8:30 a.m. Confessions—7 to 8:00 p.m. Saturday.
NWC Jewish Services (East Wing All Faith Chapel)—8 p.m. every first and third Friday.
Sabbath School—10 a.m. to noon, every first and third Saturday.
Unitarian Fellowship—(Chapel Annex, 93 King Ave.)—Sunday, 7:30 p.m.

'DESERT PHILOSOPHER'

Quarreling Is Healthy

By "POP" LOFINCK



The greatest musician with the finest instruments can't keep playing symphonies without tuning-up periods — that tinkering noise you hear between sessions.

So quarreling should be the fine art of tuning-up between individual minds and emotions.

It is inconceivable that two intelligent individuals can go on living together for long periods without having differences of opinion, or ideas from one to time.

So, if you have a good idea in your chest, it is much healthier to be out with it than to let it fester into a sort of emotional cancer, so to speak, and let it explode into a storm that's out of control.

If you have a sound idea — (no pun) expose it to discussion and criticism and possible modification. If it isn't a good idea you may find out why.

So quarreling should be the fine art of harmonizing — no one individual can be the whole orchestra any more than the leading violin or saxophone or the conductor can be the whole orchestra. (This art might reduce the divorce rate).

Some mature individuals have the art of quarreling beautifully developed. Good. This column is for those who have not.

Today's column is a trial balloon, under the heading of philosophy. I expect criticism.

Approach this idea of quarreling with the same caution you would any explosive. Tell me your success.

Long Range Community Planning Underway, An Ideal Community Goal

A long range comprehensive community development plan is being prepared for forwarding to the Navy Department upon completion. The committee which was appointed to define the plan's objectives has made its report and the detailed planning phase will commence immediately. When completed, the plan will provide a road map and timetable for upgrading the community to a point where it will properly support the Center in the performance of its mission.

In its statement of objectives the committee recommended that the plan should address itself to the "ideal" community (within reason) and should visualize China Lake 10-20 years from now. It is intended that the plan will concern itself with all phases of community development, not just physical planning. Such matters as housing, education, land use, business districts, traffic circulation, recreation and public buildings will be studied and recommendations made.

One of the basic precepts to be included in community planning is that China Lake and Ridgecrest comprise one economic unit to be viewed as a single community. A specific example of this is in housing. The plan will include the prospect of housing expansion in Ridgecrest as well as Navy housing, existing and projected, with a degree of flexibility in both.

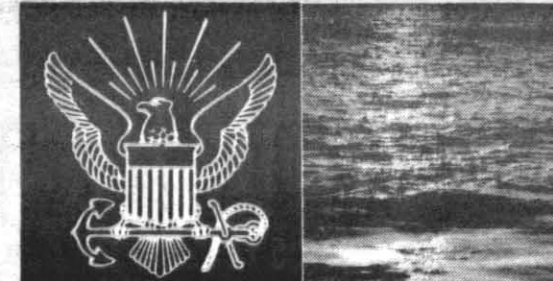
A major part of the effort of the planners will be concerned with defining alternate methods of community management. This phase of the plan will result in a recommended plan to make the community more responsive to Center management and to the needs of NWC employees.

The plan will be developed and promulgated by a team of Center personnel and outside professional consultants. The preparation of the plan was directed by the Chief of Navy Material as an outgrowth of



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THE NUWC CHRISTMAS CHOIR has completed its scheduling and is hard at work polishing the highs and lows for the Yule season. Under the untiring efforts of Merton Welch, director, the group will have more than 20 Christmas carols in their repertoire. As usual the choir sings a cappella. The schedule calls for appearances here and this year at NUWC headquarters in San Diego. The group will travel to San Diego by bus on Thursday, December 21, where they will sing at several locations. On Friday, December 22, the group will start singing at 8:45 a.m. at Supply; then to the Machine Shop at 9:30 and finally at the Coffee Port at 10:15. They also will sing for the Morris Dam people at their

Christmas luncheon. The sizeable choir this year is well balanced and numbers almost 40 people. Those rehearsing under Merton Welch's baton are: Sue Berg, Roberta Randall, Elizabeth Ann Farina, Jody Woolworth, Florence Pincus, Joyce B. Hughes, Monnie Rothschild, Libby Toth, Erma Brown, Betty Crawford, John Gannon, Anthony Durand, Edward Jahn, Gerald Mosteller, Howard Miller, Steve Clamage, Frank Alden, Eldon Dunn, Norm McDonald, Vera Hickey, Mary Edwards, Merry Hudacker, Bob McGavron, Octavia Whalen, Anita Roberts, Robye Miller, Orrin Albert, Susan Winters, Joyce Keenan, Stephanie Lucero, Jim Jennison, C. H. McIntyre and John Hancock. The Christmas Choir is an annual project.



PATENT AWARDS — The arrival recently of patent documents for three NUWC inventors, all of the Ocean Engineering Division, was noted by the above photograph. From left they are: Horace E. Karig, for underwater molten salt heat storage boiler; James H. Green and Dr. Andrew G. Fabula, for torpedo drag reduction employing polymer ejection. Not seen in the picture are: Gerrit De Vries, who shares honors with Horace Karig; and William F. Madison (retired) who shares patent with J. H. Green and Dr. Fabula.

PROMOTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

To apply for positions, contact Elinor Nelson, Pasadena Personnel Department, Extension 493. A current SF-50 must be submitted when applying.

Supervisory Fire Fighter (General), GS-4, (3 vacancies), 193 — May be assigned to airfield as crew chief in charge of crash fire truck and crew or as crew chief in charge of structural pumper and crew concerned with structures. Tour of duty is seven days on and seven days off. Duty Station — San Clemente Island.

Clerk-Typing Machine Transcriber, GS-4, Code H2020 (duty station, Ft. Mugu) — Incumbent will provide clerical and receptionist services for the Marine Bio-Science Division, and for the scientific and technical personnel attached thereto.

DISNEYLAND, USA — One of the most exciting specials in Magic Kingdom Club history will be available to all MKC members this January. Watch for more information on OPERATION M.O.U.S.E.

Hail-Farewell Said As Pasadena Bows Out To Publish Its Own Paper

With the reluctance of old friends to part but with the enthusiasm of youth to seek new adventures NUWC bids a fond adieu to the "Rocketeer" with the current issue of this excellent newspaper. NUWC now will enter a new phase of its

public life with the publication of its very own newspaper, devoted exclusively to news about its activities and achievements. A target date is set for early February. Thus the "Rocketeer" acquires a rival, as it were, but, be assured — a friendly one, with happy memories of a pleasant association.

A name has been selected for the publication as a result of a contest amongst employees of the NUWC. This name, now a state secret, will be divulged in due time and the originator of it properly recognized. Publication day will remain the same as usual — on Fridays, and the editorial offices will be in Pasadena. Robert F. Lane (you call him Bob usually), who recently came aboard here, will edit the new paper. Correspondents at the various NUWC locations will be maintained, with Jim Shields, Assistant Public Affairs officer at San Diego, handling such assignments for that area. Carney Kraemer, Public Affairs Officer for NUWC assumes the general supervision of the editing and publishing.



OFF TO SPAIN where the rain falls only on the plains! Wini Wishart, for seven years one of the stalwarts of the Public Works Department at NUWC, has left the service and will live in Cartagena, Spain where her husband Roy (Yeoman 1st Class) will be attached to the Naval Magazine.

Christmas Message

In midyear we became a new Center with new and greater responsibilities. We reflect with pride upon the accomplishments of the past that made our new mission possible. We wish to express to each of you our sincere gratitude for your spirit of teamwork and cooperation.

We begin the new year with enthusiasm, work well done and new goals to meet.

To all of NUWC personnel and their families we extend our warmest wishes for a very Merry Christmas and prosperous New Year.

CAPT. G. H. LOWE Commander, NUWC

DR. WM. B. McLEAN Technical Director, NUWC



WELL EARNED REST — Betty Roche, Secretary to the Public Works Department at NUWC, bid her many friends here "goodbye" last week as she retired after 26 years in Civil Service, many of them here. Miss Roche, who lives in Pasadena, will now have time, she says, to take more active part in her church work. Gene Watts a former employee, inked a beautiful scroll commemorating the event. This plus a letter of appreciation from Lt. R. N. McBride, head of the department were presented to Miss Roche at a farewell party.



MANY YEARS OF SERVICE — Five members of the Ocean Technology Department are recognized for their years with NUWC. From the left: 10-year NOTS to Frank Strahm, Bernie Morrison, Ivor Lemaire; 20-year NOTS to Thomas Chavez, 20-year Federal to Jim Henry. At right is Captain Lowe who made the presentations.