





### Girls' Softball Registration To Begin June 2

Registrations for Girls' Softball, sponsored by the China Lake Youth Center, will officially open June 2 and end June 18.

Adult leadership will be provided with special emphasis placed on the fundamentals of the game; improving the girls' ability, and sportsmanship.

Teams will be selected by age groups: eight through 11, 12 through 14, and 15 through 18. A maximum of 15 girls per team will be accepted.

Parents of prospective team members and other interested adults are encouraged to volunteer for positions on the coaching and managing staff before registrations are opened.

Youth Activities Program membership will be required of all participants, however, there will be no charge for the Girls' Softball Program.

Further information can be obtained by calling the China Lake Youth Center, extension 72909.

### TEEN CLUB BASEBALL

The Ft. Irwin Teen Club Baseball Team will be hosted by the China Lake Youth Center for the second game of a series on Saturday, May 24, at 1 p.m., at Schoeffel Field.

The Youth Center has planned to follow the game with a basketball game at 7 p.m. at the Center Gym. There will be a splash party, lunch and dinner provided also for the baseball team members from Ft. Irwin.

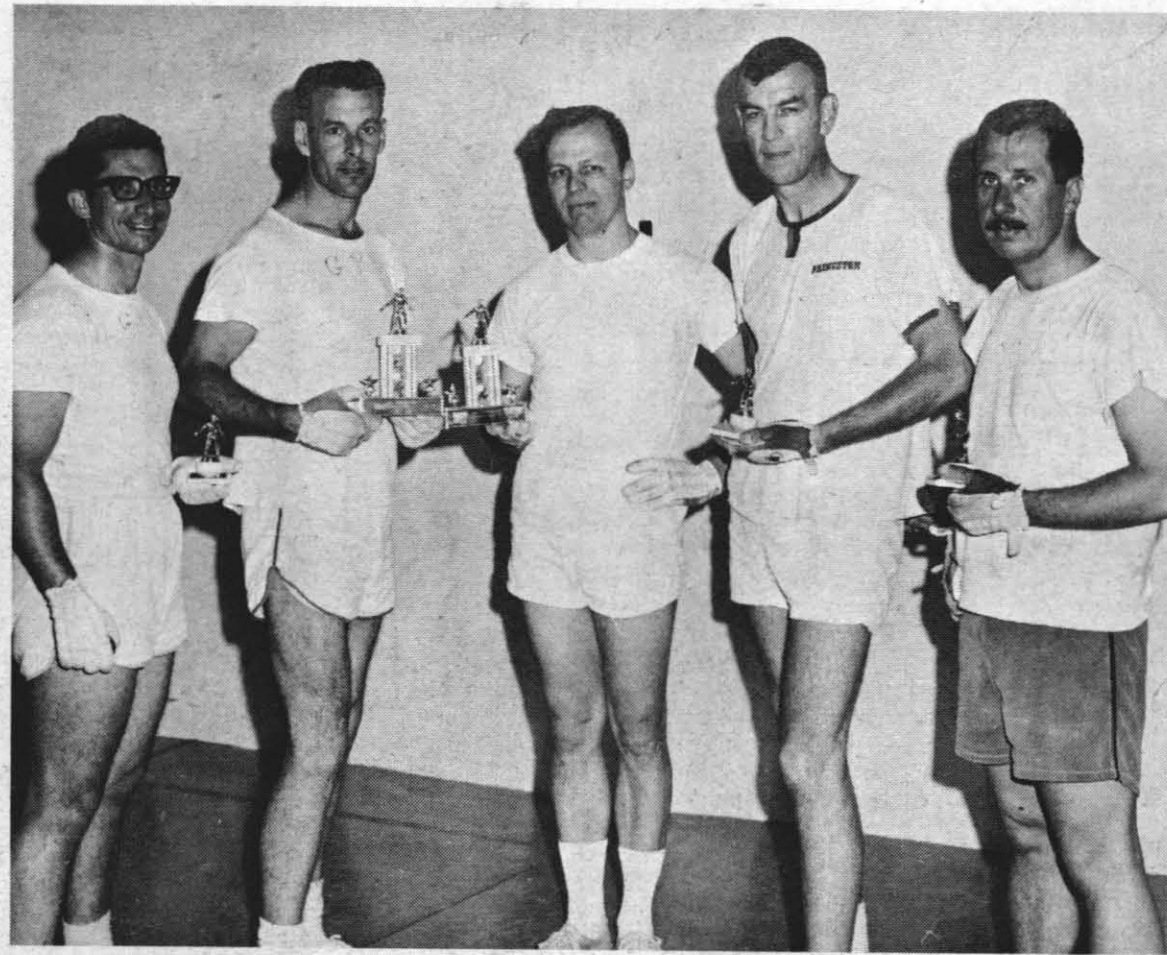
The China Lake Youth Center would like to invite parents and Youth Activities Program members to support the home team by attending the baseball and basketball games.

### TACKLE FOOTBALL

Parents whose sons participated in tackle football last year are asked to contact Bill Johnson, work — 377-2901, home — 375-8174, or Jim Dow-



UNNNH! — Ray Gier, Athletic Director of Special Services throws out the first ball at the official opening ceremonies of the China Lake Softball League (Fast pitch), Monday night at Reardon Field. Lookin' where it's goin' is the lead-off batter for the Genge softball team.



HANDBALL CHAMPS—Winners in the recent handball championships held at the Center Gymnasium are shown holding their trophies. They are, l-r, Arnold Yukelson, 2nd place singles; Dr. Rick Roberts, 1st place singles and 1st place doubles; Dr. Will Rellahan, 2nd place doubles; Gerry Hoblit, 2nd place doubles.

nard, work — 72610, home — 77831, if they know the whereabouts of any football uniforms.

If uniforms in use last year are not returned further purchasing of uniforms for this year will be necessary, Johnson stated.

### LITTLE LEAGUE

The Red Sox took over the lead of the China Lake Little League Major Division Monday evening when they outclassed the Yankees, 16-6.

On Tuesday night the Dodgers whipped the Giants in a 5-4 pitcher's duel. Winning Dodger pitcher Mark McDowell struck out nine Giants, however, Kevin Smith, losing pitcher for the Giants, struck out 16 Dodgers in a heartbreaking effort.

The Giants and Yankees are now tied for second place with three wins and two losses each.

### Record Number of Students Receive Tennis Clinic Diplomas

One hundred and four students received a life-time sports certificate and a China Lake Tennis Club patch after graduation ceremonies held by the China Lake Tennis Club Saturday, May 17.

The Tennis Clinic, sponsored annually by the Tennis Club, finished its six-week course on Saturday. "Buck" Bustard, the man who organized the whole series of lessons; recruited instructors; assigned the students, conducted the brief "graduation ceremony."

Each of the 104 graduates must have attended at least four classes and are now considered to possess a basic knowledge of tennis skills.

There were many instructors and assistants who gave much of their time and effort to the clinic. They are: Jim Smith, Jim Stanford, Dick Boyd,

Dick Mello, Joan Bustard and Sherry Miller. In addition Bucky Bustard, Chuck Walden, Rita Wack, Joan Leipnik, Chuck Jones, Roy Miller, Fred Jagist, Chuck Falterman, and Joe Reese donated many hours of instruction to the Clinic. Kirk Studstrup and Darryl Baxter also offered their assistance.

Due to the large number of students this year, Cdr. Bustard had his hands full recruiting instructors and assigning schedules.

Full-time instructors also received certificates, tennis club patches, and new restringing jobs on their rackets.

The China Lake Tennis Club would like to thank all those who worked on the successful Clinic this year, and are looking forward to the next one.

### Pony/Colt Action Begins; Miss NWC Attends Opener

Pony/Colt League action got underway Monday, May 19 with the Indians in the "A" Division Pony League defeating last year's "A" Division winners, the Cubs, 4-3. Mel Oliver, of the Indians, hit a grand slam homerun to provide the winning margin, while Bruce Douglas hit a 2-run homer for the Cubs.

Also on Monday night, another last year's winner was defeated. The Giants, winners of the Colt League last year, were beaten by the Colts, 5-3. Steve Robinson, winning pitcher for the Colts, went the entire seven innings, giving up only three hits.

On Tuesday night in the B Division Pony League, John Snopkowski, pitcher for the Reds, threw a no-hitter against the Cards, striking out 14 batters on the way to a 16-1 triumph. In the opening game of the evening, the "A" Division Yankees whipped the Tigers 8-6 after falling behind 5-0 in the first inning.

In other action this week, the "B" Division Pony League Angels defeated the Braves, 9-3.

During opening ceremonies Monday night, Ray Gier, Athletic Director for NWC, threw out the first ball, and Miss NWC, Susan Williams, was presented to the fans.

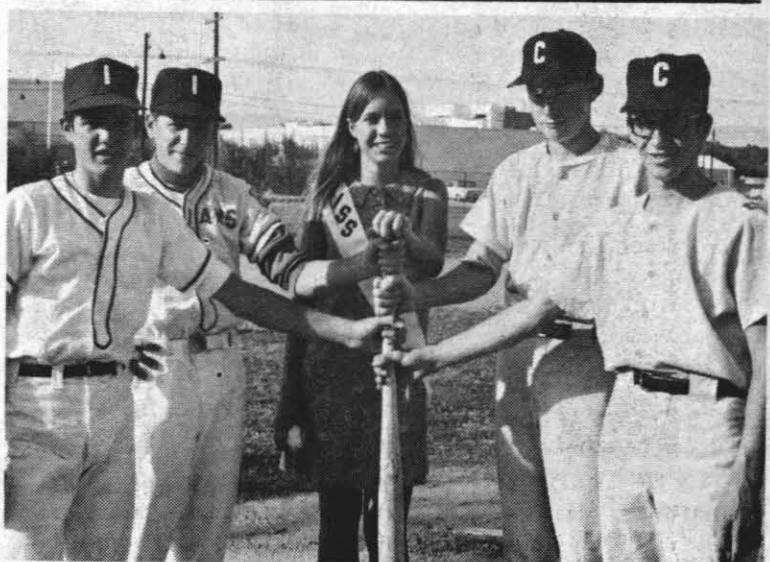
### Genge Loses Two Games in Softball Action This Week

Only two games were reported on in the NWC Softball League this past week. On Monday evening, Magic Cleaners came from behind in the final inning to defeat Genge, 5-4. Bobby Kochman was the winning pitcher of the game, Tony Scanlan the loser. Tyler hit a home run for Genge in a losing effort, and there was one homerun hit by a player from Magic Cleaners.

On Tuesday evening, El Rancho got off to a fast start against Genge, scoring five runs in the first inning, and then held on to win the game 6 to 5 despite a two run shot over the wall by Jim Bradberry.

Tony Scanlan was the losing pitcher.

21 painful innoculations, must be administered as soon as possible after exposure and is still not 100 per cent guaranteed. There is no cure for rabies once the symptoms develop.



SHE WINS (She Hopes) — Susan Williams, Miss NWC, wins the battle for the top of the bat with members of the Colts and the Indians at the official opening of the Colt League Monday evening, May 19. Miss Williams hopes to continue her winning ways Saturday night in the Miss Ridgcrest-China Lake Beauty Pageant.

### Graduation Plans Underway In Indian Wells Valley Schools

By Molly McCammon

Plans for graduation are presently underway for Murray and James Monroe Junior High Schools and for Burroughs High School. All three schools will hold their graduation ceremonies on Thursday, June 12.

#### Burroughs

Pre-graduation Baccalaureate services will be held for Burroughs High School seniors on Sunday, June 8, at the All Faith Chapel, beginning at 7 p.m. The program will include a welcome by Captain M. R. Etheridge, NWC Commander, musical selections by the high school choir, and a sermon by NWC senior chaplain, Capt. H. A. MacNeill. Guests will include Dr. Thomas Amle, NWC Technical Director, all chaplains, Ridgcrest and Inyokern clergymen, Mr. Kenneth Westcott, Burroughs principal, and the senior class advisors and counselor.

Graduation ceremonies for the high school will be conducted on June 12 at 8:30 p.m. at the Burroughs Athletic Field. Guest speakers will be Grant Jensen, Superintendent of the Kern High School District, and William Davis, president of the Board of Trustees, as well as two student speakers, Blaine Davies and Bill Neufeld. Mr. Westcott, principal, will distribute the diplomas.

Immediately following graduation, a reception will be held in the Burroughs multi-use room for the graduates and their family and friends. Chairmen for this event are Mrs. Burke West and Mrs. Pierre St. Amand.

On Friday, June 13, the senior class of Burroughs will be transported by chartered bus-

es to Disneyland for an all-night party. This is being sponsored by a parent committee of which Mr. and Mrs. Lester Garman are chairmen. The party will last from 11 p.m. until 5 a.m. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hoagland are head chaperones.

#### Murray

Murray Junior High School will hold its graduation on Thursday, June 12, at 6 p.m. at the NWC Theater. Two hundred and forty three eighth graders will receive their diplomas from Mrs. Sylvia Tillitt, principal. Dr. Thomas Amle, NWC Technical Director, is to be the guest speaker, and the 8th grade chorus will sing several songs.

A reception for graduates and their family and friends will immediately follow the graduation in the Murray Cafeteria.

#### Graduation Party

The Murray School 8th Grade Graduation Party is scheduled for Friday, June 6, from 8 to 11 p.m. in the Murray Cafeteria. Parents are invited to drop in to view this parent-sponsored party and have refreshments in the Teachers' Lounge.

A contribution of \$1.50 for each student is being requested to help defray expenses. Money should be turned in to Mrs. Upson at the Murray School office. Parents who can help with decorations, refreshments, or games are asked to contact the General Chairmen, Audrey Bowen at 723261, or Jerry Fuller, at 723223.

Monroe

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RED CROSS ANNUAL MEETING—New officers were elected and an award for 25 years of volunteer service to the Red Cross was presented to Mrs. Richard Chatterton at the annual meeting of the Indian Wells Valley branch of the American Red Cross held at the Commissioned Officers' Club. Pictured above are (l-r), Mrs. Fred Ashbrook, Chairman of Volunteers; Mrs. Richard Chatterton, co-chairman; and Mrs. M. R. Etheridge, NWC Command representative.



AWARDS PRESENTATION — Members of the Supply Department are shown as they received awards recently in Capt. C. R. Lee's office. The employees and their awards, are, back row, l-r, Morris Craven, Quality Step Increase; Guy Horton, Sustained Superior Performance; Jack Crowson, Sustained Superior Performance; George Halsey, Outstanding and Sustained Superior Performance; Cdr. W. R. Guffy, Middle row, l-r, Alice Adams, Quality Step Increase; Barbara Smith, Outstanding and Quality Step Increase; Olga McBratney, Quality Step Increase; Barbara Marine, Quality Step Increase; Kneeling, l. C. Bridges, Outstanding and Sustained Superior Performance, and Bernard Stepan, Outstanding and Quality Step Increase.

### College Choir To Present Program In Chapel Tuesday

The Desert Campus Bakersfield College choir, under the direction of Earl Sherburn, will appear in concert at the All-Faith Chapel at 8 p.m., Tuesday, June 3.

"Elijah," by Felix Mendelssohn, an Oratorio, will be performed. Following the concert, a reception will be held in the East Wing of the All Faith Chapel.

Featured soloists will be Florence Dinsmore, soprano; Carol Trotter, contralto, and Charles Jones, tenor. Mrs. Pat Schwarzbach, director of the upcoming Community Light Opera and Theater Association production of "Brigadoon," will narrate the concert.

The forty-five member college choir includes several musicians from Burroughs High School. The recently formed choir lists as its biggest achievements the choral roles in "Camelot," and the Christmas season production of Handel's "Messiah." The upcoming concert will be its second of the 1968-69 concert season.

Sherburn, in his fourth year of teaching here, is an instructor of music at Burroughs High School as well as at the local college. He received his B.A. in music from the University of Michigan and was head drummer in Dr. William Revelli's University of Michigan Marching Band. Sherburn recently won the Kiwanis Club's Outstanding Citizen Award.

"Elijah" will be Sherburn's last concert in the local area, as he will return to the University of Michigan next fall for further studies.

The public is cordially invited to attend the concert. There will be no admission charge.



RELATIVES VISIT — Albert R. Michelson, above, a distant relation of Albert A. Michelson, for whom the Lab is named, visited the Center recently with his mother, Mrs. Michelson's husband is a grand nephew of the Nobel Prize winner. They visited here on Monday.

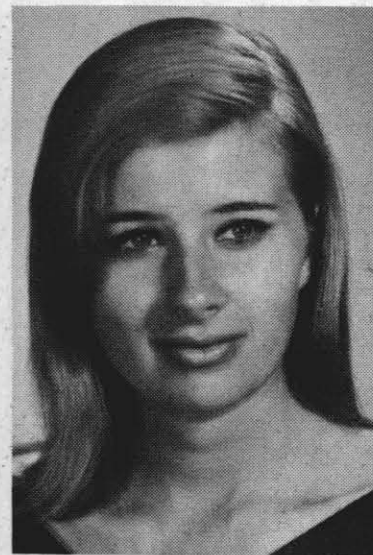
### GEBA Assessments Due Members

Members of the Government Employees Benefit Association and the China Lake Mutual Aid Society are hereby notified that Assessments No. 177-105 are now due. The assessments are for the death of Hilda Young, an employee at Shop Store 16, in the Supply Department, who died on May 18 at the San Diego Naval Hospital.

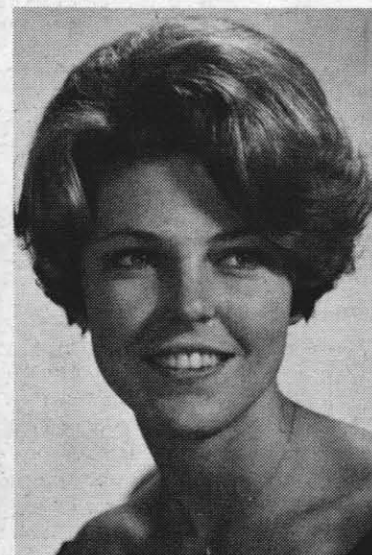
Members are reminded that this is the first pay assessment in five months. The benefit upon death of a member is \$500 for each organization, totalling \$1,000, paid in the most expeditious way.

For membership forms, contact a collector or call Mason at 375-2846. Payments may be made by mailing \$1.20 to Lawrence R. Mason, 208 Bonita St., Ridgecrest, Calif. 93555. Advance payments of \$6 or \$12 are acceptable.

# Beauty Pageant Presented At NWC Theater



CHERIE KOHLENBERG  
Miss NAF



DEBORAH HUNTLEY  
Miss Marine Corps



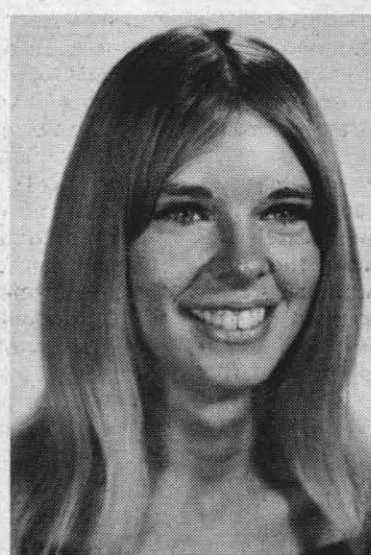
DIANA WEST  
Miss Special Projects



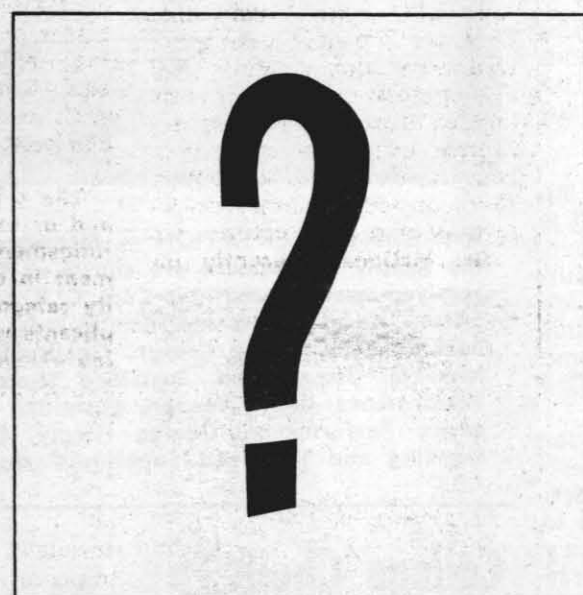
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Miss Auto Dealers



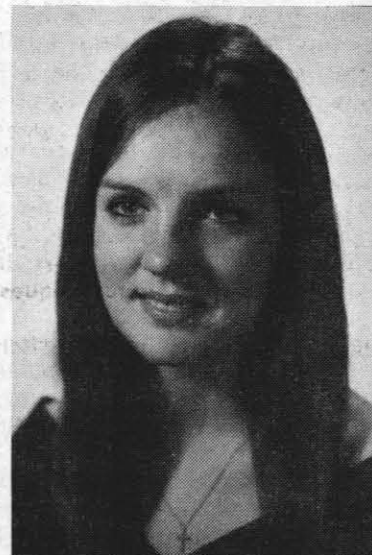
SUSAN WILLIAMS  
Miss NWC



CAROL BROWN  
Miss Desert Campus



MISS RIDGECREST-CHINA  
LAKE 1969



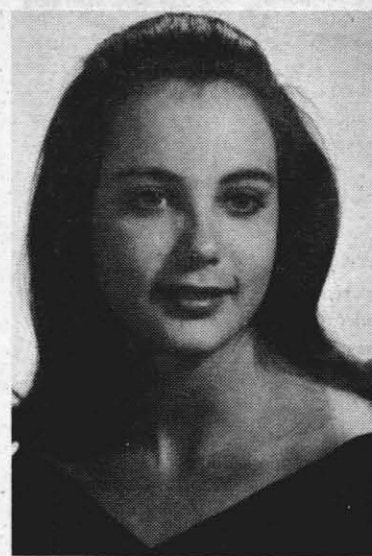
LAURI NEIL  
Miss Control Data



MARY DAVIS  
Miss NAACP



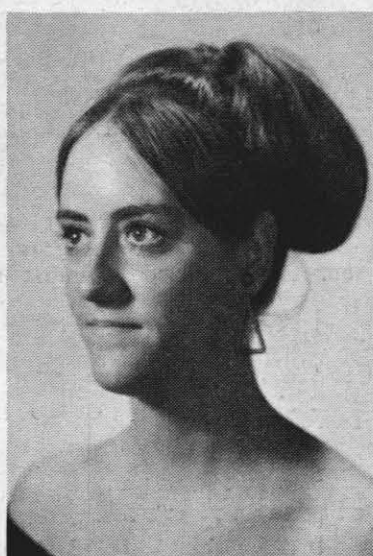
DEBRA DALTON  
Miss Calif. Interstate  
Telephone Co.



LINDA RAINSBERGER  
Miss WACOM



ANN WASHBURN  
Miss Hucek's Travel Service



JEAN CADMAN  
Miss Optimist Club

The 12 candidates in the Miss Ridgcrest - China Lake Beauty Pageant will display their charm, beauty, poise and talent at the Naval Weapons Center Theater this Saturday night at 8 p.m.

The winner will represent the local area in the Miss Kern County Pageant, a stepping-stone to the Miss California and Miss America contests.

Co-sponsored by the Ridgcrest Chamber of Commerce and the China Lake Community Council, the event will climax five weeks of rehearsals and preparation for the candidates.

Candidates will be judged on their appearance, stage presence in swimsuits and evening wear, and presentation of talents.

Tickets, priced at \$1.50 for adults and \$1 for servicemen and students, will be available

at the box office on the night of the pageant. Tickets can now be purchased from the Burroughs High School Pep Club.

Judges will be Anne Colbeck, Lecturer for the famous John Robert Powers School of Modeling, Riverside, which will award a 12-week course in modeling to the winner; Bill Humphrey, an Account Executive with United Airlines for the past 23 years and who has been affiliated with the Pasadena Tournament of Roses Association for the past 16 years; Glen A. Horspool, Director of Music at Antelope Valley College; Colin McKay, co-director of Forensics at Bakersfield College; and Sylvia L. Bula, Executive Director for six years of the Miss Orange County Pageant.

The current reigning Miss Kern County, Martha Ann Lav-

erty, of Bakersfield, will crown the winner of Saturday night's event. Miss Laverty will compete for the title of Miss California at Santa Cruz in June.

The talent portion of the program will be presented in the following manner:

Susan Williams, Miss Naval Weapons Center, is an accomplished gymnast. She is a 5-foot, 5-inch, hazel-eyed honey-blond and is 17 years old. A junior at Burroughs High, she plans to attend San Francisco State College.

Next, Debra Dalton, Miss California Interstate Telephone Co., will present a comedy skit. A senior at Burroughs High School, she is 5-foot 7-inches tall, and has green eyes, and brown hair. The 18-year-old beauty wants to attend Pacific Lutheran College to major in Biology.

Cherie Kohlenberg, Miss Naval Air Facility, will present a medley of songs. She aspires to be a high school teacher of Psychology. She is 5-foot 7-inches tall, has hazel eyes, honey-blond hair, and is 18 years old. She is a senior at Burroughs High School.

Deborah Huntley, Miss Marine Corps, will do a dance number. She is completing her senior year at Burroughs High School. She is 5-foot 7-inches tall, and has hazel eyes, and brown hair. The 18-year-old Miss Huntley also takes business courses at Bakersfield College Desert Campus.

Lauri Neil, Miss Control Data, will present a violin solo. A diminutive 5-foot, 5-inch, brown-eyed, brown-haired junior at Burroughs High, Miss Neil plans to attend San Jose Business College. She is head

majorite at Burroughs and an accomplished organist and violinist.

Jean Cadman, Miss Optimist Club, will vocalize a popular number for her talent portion. Miss Cadman is 17 years old, and 5-foot, 5-inches tall. She has hazel eyes and auburn hair. A senior at Burroughs High School, she will enroll at Bakersfield College Desert Campus this fall.

Carol Brown, Miss Desert Campus, will vocalize a number in French. The diminutive 5-foot 5-inch, Miss Brown is a student at the Bakersfield College Desert Campus. She has blue eyes and blonde hair. The 18-year-old Miss Brown aspires to become an elementary school teacher.

Mary Davis, Miss NAACP, will sing a spiritual. She is 17

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# Armed Forces' Day Visitors See Air Display, Exhibits

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presentation to Bill Powell of Troop 411, North Edwards, with LT(jg) Jim Terrell and Howard Allen doing the honors. Mayor Kenneth Smith then presented a Bronze Palm to Eagle Scout Don Upson of Troop 112 and gave recognition to Gene Tabb, Jr., an Eagle Scout from Troop 291 for a recently received Bronze Palm.

Chaplain Gordon Read of the All Faith Chapel next spoke briefly about the meaning and significance of the God and Country Award. Pastor Johnson of Grace Lutheran Church, Ridgecrest, then presented this award to Paul Corlett of Troop 848.

Jim Upson, assisted by Charles Berteaux and Charles Bridges, Assistant District Commissioners, closed the ceremonies with a presentation of ribbons to units with booths at the Exposition.

Troop 411 from North Edwards won the Presidential Ribbon for the best booth of all scout troops. Taylor Powell is the scoutmaster of Troop 411. Woody Chartier's Cub Pack 412 won high honors for the best Cub Pack booth. Tom Boggs' Explorer Post 813 won the top prize for the best Explorer booth. Post 813 had a very popular narcotics display and movie on LSD.

At 6 p.m. a court of honor was held, which was attended by many district and local officials including the Honorable Kenneth Smith, mayor of Ridgecrest. Star, Life, and Eagle awards were presented and a Webelos graduation was held.

## MASQUERS SHOW

The day was capped by a superb presentation by the Masquers Club of Hollywood led by Vince Barnett of motion picture and television fame.

A two-hour long stage show by members of the Masquer Club at the Center Theater, climaxing Armed Forces Day, was enthusiastically received. Vince Barnett, noted motion picture actor, headed the troupe of actors from Hollywood. A show was presented at 4 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. due to the limited facilities at the theater.

Capt. Melvin R. Etheridge, Center Commander, who welcomed the troupe at the 7:30 p.m. show related a little known fact about Barnett as he introduced him to the audience. Capt. Etheridge related that Barnett was one of the early mail pilots who flew by the seat of their pants.

Bob Duggan, who has appeared in the Red Skeleton Show, the FBI, and The Fugitive, served as master of ceremonies and kept the show moving at a rapid pace. His quick wit brought many a chuckle from the audience.

Opening the show was Lita Gray Chaplin, former wife of Charlie Chaplin and author of the book, "My Life With Chaplin," related incidents of her life and answered questions from the audience regarding her life with the noted comedian and questions about the motion picture colony.

Crystal Vaughn, a protege of the late Al Jolson and clad in a gold mini dress and knee-high gold boots, captured the audience with a medley of blues numbers and songs made famous by Jolson.

Whitey Roberts, a veteran showman, captured the show crowd with his soft shoe dance routines reminiscent of Mickey Rooney. His juggling act interspersed with clever patter brought enthusiastic applause from the audience.

Maia the Brazilian bombshell, was a tornado of action as she accompanied herself on the guitar in a series of fast-paced Portuguese songs.

Virginia O'Brien opened her act with her noted deadpan rendition, then completely captured the audience with a switch to vocalizing in a charming manner.

Joe Quinn, well-known to New York and Hollywood audiences, lived up to his fame as a comedian and quick quip artist.

Dr. William Teaford, piano accompanist for the troupe, drew a resounding ovation for his medley of songs from the film, "Sound of Music."

A comedy skit on making a motion picture by the entire cast concluded the two-hour show.



MATURANGO MUSEUM — The ever-expanding Maturango Museum had over 2,000 visitors pass through its waiting doors. Museum displays fascinated the visitors.

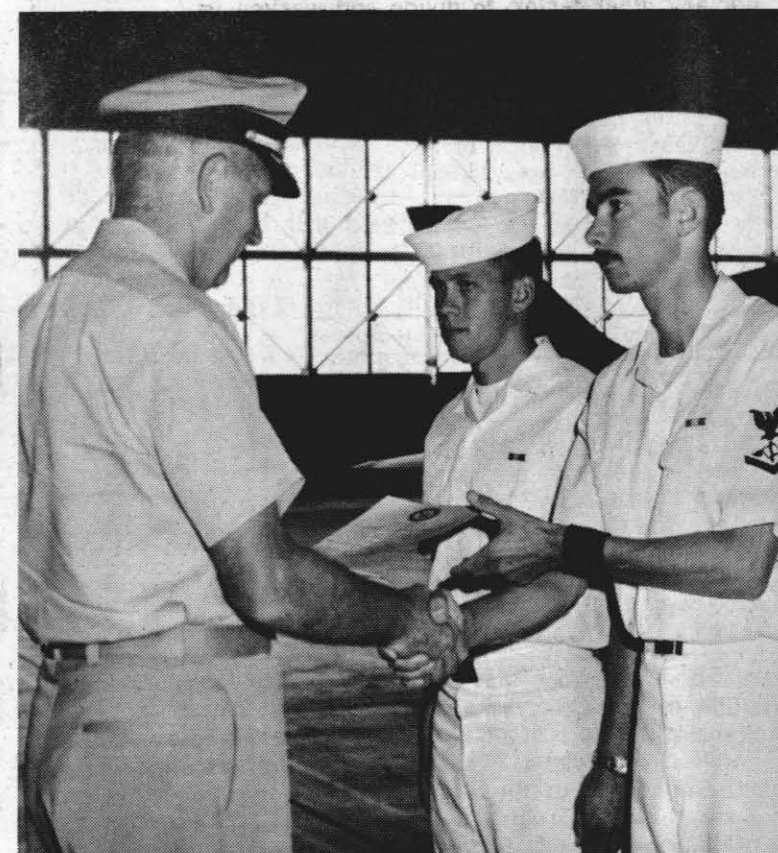
# College Holds Art Showing Wed., May 28

The Desert Campus of Bakersfield College is presenting an art show next Wednesday evening, May 28, at 6 p.m. in the Burroughs High School multi-use room. Approximately 50 to 100 drawings and oil paintings will be exhibited. A new feature will be displays from Mrs. Leila Guzman's sculpture class.

The art show, a "new tradition" at the local college, was first held in 1967 and is being presented for the third time since its inception. The drawings and paintings that will be displayed are all produced by students at the Desert Campus.

Mr. John Drow, an art instructor at Bakersfield College Desert Campus, is primarily responsible for the development and continuance of the art show. Drow has seen several years of service as a teacher at both the college and at Burroughs High School. In addition, he is the director of student activities at the high school. He received his B.A. from San Francisco State College before coming here to teach.

The show is open to the public and there will be no admission charge.



ADVANCEMENT IN RANK—Captain L. A. Dewing (l), NAF Commanding Officer, is seen presenting AZ3 P.A. Todd (r) his certificate of advancement in rank, while AMH3 R. R. Walsh (c) looks on. The advancements were presented recently at a special ceremony at NAF Hangar 3.



# DOD Lifts Travel Restrictions

The restrictions on space available travel overseas by active duty, retired servicemen and their dependents which was imposed in March of last year has been lifted by the Department of Defense. The ban was imposed more than a year ago in an effort to help alleviate the country's balance of payments problems.

In making the announcement, Secretary of Defense Melvin R. Laird said, "I took this action after a thorough review of all the factors. The balance of payments expenditures involved were minute but the morale impact throughout the Department of Defense — and on retired service people — was widespread and substantial. Further, since such travel has been available to active and retired service people for many years, I believe its restoration is both reasonable and fair."

With the restrictions off, active and retired military personnel and their dependents

will now be authorized space available transportation on military vessels and aircraft. This includes travel from the United States, its territories, possessions, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico and Guantanamo Naval Base, to countries where such travel is available.

Other forms of space available travel, such as dependent's educational travel, for medical observation and treatment, emergency travel and other similar circumstances, which were not affected by the ban, will remain the same.

The Defense Department said the policy change, which is effective immediately, will not cause additional expenditures by the Department of Defense. The DOD transportation facilities concerned are being notified immediately and that portion of the DOD directive which imposed the restriction is being amended to incorporate the new policy.

# VX-5 Issues Challenge To NAF

A softball game will be played between the officers of NAF and VX-5 at 4 p.m. Monday, May 26, at Reardon Field.

A challenge, issued by Capt. C. W. Fritz, Commanding Officer, VX-5, to Capt. L. A. Dewing, C.O., NAF, to meet on a neutral field of honor with the losers of the game to donate \$100 to the Navy Relief Fund.

Capt. F. R. Walsh, NWC Technical Officer, will hold the bets, while Capt. M.R. Etheridge, NWC Commander, and Capt. R. Williamson, II, NWC Executive Officer, will officiate the contest.

The game will be played under a most unusual set of rules. In order for a player to advance to the next base, it will be necessary for him to devour a full eight ounces of beer. The game will be completed in either seven innings, or when all players of one team has succumbed.

Admission to the game will be by donation which will be used to purchase one Navy Relief raffle ticket.



### Defense Secretary Memos Equal Opportunity in Armed Forces

MEMORANDUM FOR ALL MILITARY PERSONNEL  
SUBJECT: Equal Opportunity and Treatment in the Armed Forces

The President's Executive Order of July 26, 1948 directed the abolishment of racial segregation in the Armed Forces and required equality of opportunity and treatment without regard to race, color, creed or national origin. Substantial progress has been made in removing racial discrimination. No sector in American life has achieved the measure of equal opportunity and treatment that has been realized in the Armed Forces. The dedicated leadership of countless numbers of men and women in the Military Services has made this progress possible. I congratulate them.

Much still remains to be done, and it is to this task of removing every vestige of discrimination that I give my personal commitment. This can be achieved only by ensuring that complete equality of opportunity and treatment is not denied to any member of the Armed Forces because of race, color, religion, national origin, or any other irrelevant factor. This equality must be granted in training, education, assignment and promotion, including the opportunity to assume the highest positions of trust and responsibility. I encourage each member of the Armed Forces to utilize to the maximum the opportunities available for his development.

We must maintain harmonious, cooperative working relationships among military personnel so as to maintain high morale, military effectiveness and combat readiness. I urge all personnel to reject divisive and fragmenting forces and influences in our society which seek to diminish the integrity, unity and strength of our Armed Forces. We must not permit the irrelevancies of race and color, nor any other factor, to divide and weaken us.

It is the responsibility of every member of the Military Services from the newest inductee to the highest commissioned officer to accept other members on the basis of their individual worth and to assist in extending to all facets and activities of military life — on and off base, on and off duty — the spirit of mutual trust and respect which is manifest when our forces are in combat.

I call upon every Installation and Unit Commander to provide the leadership that will continue to translate the policy of equal opportunity into living and meaningful reality for every man and woman serving our Nation in the uniforms of the Armed Forces.

### Girls Compete in Beauty Pageant

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years old and is 5-foot 4-inches tall. She has brown eyes and black hair. She is a junior at Burroughs High School. Miss Davis is a member of the Soul Explosion Singing Group and the Union Missionary Baptist Inspiration Choir.

Diana West, Miss Special Projects, will present a comedy skit. Miss West is a statuesque 5-foot 7-inch, blue-eyed blonde. The 17 year old Burroughs High School senior plans to enroll at California Polytechnic College this fall where she will major in home economics.

Linda Rainsberger, Miss WACOM, will sing a song from "West Side Story." She is 5-foot 2-inches tall and has green eyes and dark brown hair. She is 17 years old and a senior at Burroughs High School. She plans to attend California Lutheran College where she will major in archeology.

Ann Washburn, Miss Huceck's Travel Service, will play a piano solo. She is a 17 year old, 5-foot, 7-inch tall brunette, and a senior at Burroughs High School. She will enroll this fall at Brigham Young University where she will major in Home Economics and Dental Hygiene.

Sybil Aulds, Miss Ridgcrest Auto Dealers Association, will present a combination comedy and dramatic skit. The 18 year old Burroughs High School

senior aspires to become an airline stewardess. She has brown eyes and brown hair and is 5-foot 5-inches tall.

Ed Barnett of Radio Station KLOA will serve as Master of Ceremonies of the pageant. The Sounds of Time orchestra, under the direction of Ronnie Thompson, will provide the background music and interlude numbers for the pageant.

Margy Zinke, pageant director, reports that the staging of the pageant has only been made possible by the cooperation of local business firms, civic, fraternal, and military orders.

### ASROC RASP

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es on voltages, frequencies, etc. Compatibility with present RASP size, weight, power, and number of input wires was also achieved making it theoretically possible to backfit the digital RASP into existing ASROC systems.

A great deal of success in the project was due to close cooperation in the electronic assembly, testing and packaging area by electronic technicians Robert Franks and Paul Payne and Mechanical Technician Earl Norman.

Rodney Beran, Code 3043 Electronic Engineer, was the project engineer for the digital RASP.



**KIDS CLEAN UP** — Members of the Senior Student Union of the China Lake Youth Center and new Youth Director Marty Denkin, (c), team up with the Oasis Garden Club's Civic Beautification Chairman Mickey Freedman (far right) to clean up the area around the Center Theater. The youths

policed the area thoroughly and planted flowers in the planter boxes. The flowers were donated by The Shopping Bag. Left to right, the youngsters are: Leo Enriquez, Wayne Wooten, Dave Freedman, Patty Nesbitt and Greg Kapka. The youngsters will be involved in similar future projects.



**AWARDS PRESENTED**—Workers in Code 403 were recently presented with Quality Step Increases. Outstanding Performance Ratings, and Superior Achievement Awards, both group and individual, for their exceptionally high level of achievement and performance in their various fields. Those receiving the special awards were: ( front row, l-r) Charles Dye, Division Head, Rich-

ard De Marco, Jean Mahoney, Roy Martin, and Robert Willard; (second row, l-r) Melvin Dall, Don Jacks, Paul Rinsberger, Ray Boss, and Charlie Rodgers; (Back row, l-r) Stu Thorne, Warren Erickson, John Sichra, Dwight Weathersbee, John Carr, and Bob Dow. Not pictured are Ed Paulsen, Quinton Johnson, William Bryand, William Nevins, and H. Dauer.



**FLEET RESERVE VIP VISITS**—Walter C. Rowell, (second from right) visited NWC recently and was greeted by (l-r) Floyd Goldy; Capt. C. W. Fritz, C. O., VX-5; Beat-

rice Tracy; and Capt. R. Williamson, II, NWC Executive Officer. Rowell's wife, Elizabeth, (far right) also accompanied the FRA dignitary on his junket.

### From the desk of the Master Chief of the Navy

My objective in presenting this article is to promote my opinion on matters which affect all enlisted personnel. It may at times reflect on established policy, both official and unofficial, and certain procedures which I have encountered in my travels, which I feel may have an adverse influence on career retention and morale.

The Navy has established many programs to induce our first termers to reenlist. There are good programs. Unfortunately not enough incentives exist for the second and subsequent reenlistee. I maintain that a need exists for duty choice incentive for these individuals.

Too often I've heard that the "Navy just didn't care" whether these people stayed in. Many times I have received letters that state "I would reenlist if I could get duty at ———." These letters have to be answered that the request would be considered, with no guarantee, or "sorry, you're not eligible."

In fairness to all concerned, a program of this sort is under consideration. However, this is not the gist of this article. What I am hitting at is lack of apparent concern by leading petty officers, division officers, personnel in administrative services, and so forth.

Too often, especially in the administrative services, the individual is given to feel that he has been done a big favor just getting the attention that the administrator has taken the time to give him. This not only applies to personnel offices, supply and disbursing offices, but in many cases to hospitals and other services.

In many cases, this "I'm doing you a favor" attitude is projected also toward dependents.

What we should first understand is, I believe, that we are not "doing a favor" for anyone by doing our job. We have the duty to be courteous, attentive and to do our utmost to help the individual with his request; be it a question, assistance with an official letter request, or whatever.

On this same line, I wrote a recent article for NAV-NEWS concerning the duty of a petty officer to help his men with their problems. These problems all go hand in hand. You must be concerned. You can't ignore your shipmate's problem. It won't go away — he will.

This article should not be construed to mean that we don't have conscientious and concerned petty officers or administrative officials. We do, but there are just enough "bad apples" to give the Navy a bad image. I maintain that each of us has the responsibility to do everything in our power to help our shipmates out.

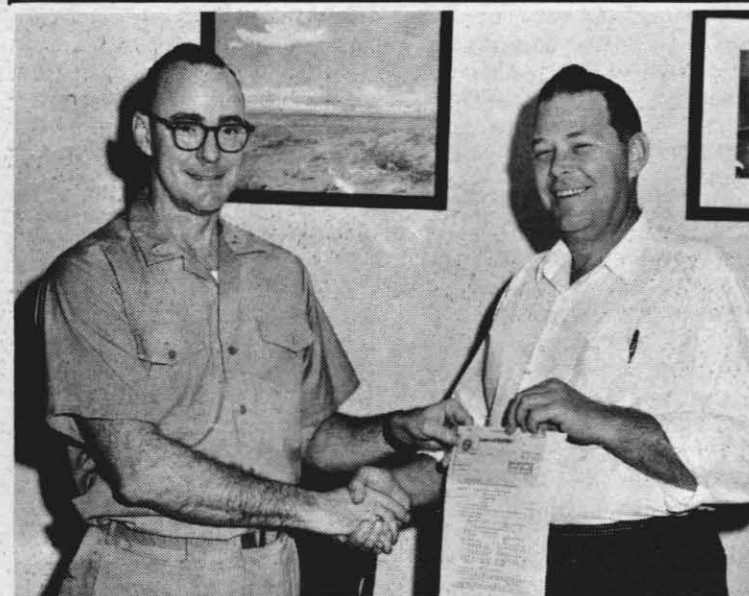
I don't infer breaking or bending rules, but each of us owes the Navy enough to at least listen and be concerned, even if it is not in our power to do anything about it.

I am convinced that the attitude, "you can go or stay, it's up to you," is losing the Navy career petty officers every day. While I don't feel that the individual should have the appearance of "twisting the Navy's arm," neither do I feel that the individual should be made to feel that "nobody cares." Unfortunately, I see the latter every day, and I receive much correspondence to that effect.

With an official program which reflects this concern, more personalized attention to our shipmates problems, and more positive attitude towards each and every individual's problem, this "don't care" image should fade away. This is one way we can all help to retain our potential career petty officers.

I have heard of cases where an individual has indicated a willingness to reenlist for a certain program, but through negligence, laziness or some other poor reason, the individual's request was never typed up for submission. After a few weeks, the individual became tired of waiting for some type of action, withdrew his request and changed his mind. We lose many good career oriented personnel because of this very thing.

DELBERT BLACK



**IDEA WINS \$143.00** — P. G. Robbins, Division Head, Inventory Division of the NWC Supply Department, is shown receiving a check for \$143 from Cdr. W. R. Guffy, Deputy Director of Supply, for his Beneficial Suggestion, Key Punch Machine and Operation Change.

### RESA Members To Hear UFO Expert At Comm. Center

Dr. James E. McDonald, Senior Physicist, Institute of Atmospheric Physics, and Professor, Department of Meteorology, University of Arizona, Tucson, will be the guest speaker at the 1969 Spring meeting of the China Lake Branch of the Research Society of America.

The meeting will be held May 27, beginning with a social period from 6:30 to 7 p.m., followed by dinner. Dr. McDonald's lecture will begin at approximately 8:30. His subject for the evening will be "UFO's and the Condon Report."

Dr. McDonald's position on this controversial subject is that UFO's are real, that they are probably extraterrestrial surveillance crafts. He also speculates that the recent Condon Report is not the definitive, exhaustive study it is being made out to be, but is characterized by numerous defects of a serious nature.

Dr. McDonald recently in-



DR. JAMES E. McDONALD

terviewed two men involved in an interesting close-range daytime sighting out on the Baker Range at NWC in January, 1967. This sighting will be one of several that have been made in that area that Dr. McDonald hopes to discuss at the RESA meeting Tuesday night.

Dr. McDonald's area of principal research interest in recent years has been Atmospheric Physics. He received his B.A. in chemistry from the University of Omaha, in 1942, and his M.S. in Meteorology from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1945. He received his Ph.D. in Physics from Iowa State University in 1951.

Dr. McDonald joined the staff of the University of Arizona in 1954. Prior to that time he was a Research Physicist on the Cloud Physics Project for the University of Chicago in 1953 and 1954. From 1950 to 1953 he was an Assistant Professor of Physics at Iowa State University.

Dr. McDonald was a member of Naval Intelligence during World War II. He is married and has six children.

The guest speaker is a member of the National Science Foundations' Advisory Panel for US Navy-ESSA Project STORMFURY; Member National Academy of Sciences' Panel on Weather and Climate

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### Wage Board Supervisors Plan Becomes Effective July 1

The Navy has announced that as of July 1, 1969, a new Wage Board Supervisor Plan will become effective. This Plan cancels the Plan A system of rating applicants and establishing registers to fill Wage Board supervisory positions previously in effect.

Inservice Placement Announcements shall continue to be the means used to develop registers from which certificates will be issued for positions covered by this Plan.

Applicants will be evaluated on the basis of the skills, knowledges, and potential required to perform the duties of the position, but not in terms of definite time requirements.

Where the supervisory level is closely related to particular trades or crafts, it is essential that applicants have sufficient background in the trade or craft to supervise and perform administrative duties effectively.

The ability to supervise and/or exercise administrative judgement is the crucial element in determining the quality category of applicants. Applicants will be ranked by the job elements considered pertinent to the position being filled.

Leader and Foreman positions will require a well-rounded knowledge of the appropriate trade or trades obtained through performance of the duties of a journeyman in the trade and must have demonstrated both trade knowledge and technical competence.

General Foreman, Superintendent and Supervisory positions require demonstrated competence in the area of supervision appropriate to the position to be filled.

The evaluation of applicants will be determined by technically competent rating examiners who will be assisted by subject matter experts in the appropriate trades. Experience, training, awards, supervisory appraisals and written test performance will be considered in rating applicants.

Written tests will be used to evaluate potential or trade knowledge for particular elements when appropriate tests have been developed. When ties occur, they will be broken by test scores and if further breakdown is required, by length of service.

Only candidates who meet the basic qualifications will be given the written test. Applicants who already have a test score on a particular test will not be retested unless he wishes to improve his test performance.

Retesting, using the same test, should not occur more often than six months unless the testee can demonstrate that he has substantially improved the element which the test is designed to measure.

This Plan does not restrict the appointment official's right to fill Wage Board Supervisor positions by other means, such as transfers, reassignments, etc. Consideration will also be given to qualified employees absent on military furlough, or with reemployment rights, as well as applicants who have been demoted (except for cause or at their own request) from a position of the same or higher level who have applied for consideration.

Incorporation of this new plan into the Naval Weapons Center Merit Promotion Plan will be accomplished as soon as specific Navy Guidelines are distributed to the Center.

### Heflin Receives Award



**RECEIVES QUALITY INCREASE**—James L. Heflin, r, is shown receiving a Quality Step Increase from Capt. L. A. Dewing, Commanding Officer of NAF, at a Presentations Ceremony in Captain Dewing's office Tuesday, April 29. The Quality Increase was presented to Heflin when he and four other employees of NAF received Outstanding Performance Ratings. In addition to Heflin, the others were: Natalie E. Hulsey, a Quality Step Increase; Doris Cox, Quality Step Increase; Sondrea G. Clark, Quality Step Increase, and Joseph L. Chesney, a Sustained Superior Performance Award. All the awards were in addition to the Outstanding Performance Rating.

# Armed Forces' Day Celebration Visitors Saw Firepower Display, 'Open House', Exhibits

## Record Crowds Also Treated To Scout Exposition, Masquers' Show

An estimated 7,000 visitors braved 90-plus degree heat to witness an aerial firepower demonstration and other special exhibits during the Naval Weapons Center's Armed Forces Day celebration held last weekend, according to Cdr. C. G. Wack, overall coordinator for the May 17 spectacular.

The day began with a Kiwanis pancake breakfast which drew more people this year than ever before. Simultaneously, visitors began filtering through the Maturango Museum and the Weapons Exhibit Center which was opened to the public at 8:30 a.m.

At the Naval Air Facility, visitors were treated to an extensive display of antique and other vintage aircraft as well as some more modern helicopters and jets. The cars began jamming the parking spaces as early as 10 a.m.

Opening ceremonies for the celebration at NAF included remarks by Capt. L. A. Dewing, NAF Commanding Officer, and Capt. M. R. Etheridge, Commander NWC. Capt. F. R. Walsh, NWC Technical Officer then stepped to the lectern that was situated on the flight apron and began to describe a fantastic aerial demonstration that was staged by pilots of the Naval Air Facility and VX-5.

The two-hour program was opened by NAF's Lt. John Lockard in an F-8 and Lt. Tom Cook, also of NAF, in an F-4 Phantom II, sweeping across the field toward one another in a high-speed run, then pulling up and rolling out of sight. The two men had just returned from a fast trip over Barstow to open Armed Forces Day festivities at that base.

The next event saw Lt. John Smith from VFP-83 in Miramar, piloting a Photo Crusader RF-8, sweep in low over the field, climb into a form of an Immelman loop, and release 21 cartridge flares, each having a 22,000 candle-power capacity, the flares spaced evenly through the circle.

Then Lt. Dave Parsons from VX-5, flying an A4 Tanker Skyhawk, refueled an F8 Crusader, piloted by NAF's Cdr. Butch Verich.

An OV10-A Bronco, piloted by Marine Lt. Col. Ben Summers, acting as strike leader, located and blasted the B-29 target with 2.75-inch smoke rockets.

Sweeping across the sky in an A-7 Corsair, LCDR. Doug McCrimmon, of VX-5, zeroed in on the target with 12 Snakeye bombs.

By this time, the old B-29 was a mass of flame, easily visible to the guests because of a tower of black, billowing smoke. Cdr. Charles Wack, coordinator of the event for NAF, felt that the first hits nearly destroyed the target, and stated that all the pilots scored bullseyes throughout the two hour show.

Lt. Douglas Cutter in an A-7 Corsair followed LCDR. McCrimmon's sharpshooting with a display of his own, hitting the target with four pods of Zuni rockets.

Marine Major William Stein, of VX-5, in an F-4 Phantom II,

dropped a load of fire bombs (napalm), completely engulfing the target in a wall of flame.

VX-5's Lt. Stephen Werlock took his A-7 Corsair above the target and unloaded 22 250-pounders which shook the desert ground clear back to the flight line where the crowd was standing as they exploded.

Next, four pods of Zuni rockets streaked through the sky from the wings of an A-4 Skyhawk, flown by Cdr. Jack Robcke, of NAF, and former slot man for the Blue Angels. They burst on target.

A Shrike anti-radar guided missile, fired by NAF's Lt. Jim Maslowski from his A-4, was fired at a distant target, not visible by the spectators. However, the word filtered back later that the Shrike hit dead-on.

Lt. Stew Fitrell, of VX-5, guided his A-4 through the desert, pulled up over the target and dropped six 250-pound bombs, blasting the already destroyed B-29 into further obliteration.

Showing the A-7's versatility, NAF's Cdr. Vern Donnelly fired two rocket pods of 2.75-inch rockets simultaneously with a drop of two 1,000-lb. bombs on the target.

But the highlight of the show came when Cdr. Butch Verich, in his F-8 Crusader, fired the deadly Sidewinder air-to-air heat-seeking missile at a target flare dropped a few minutes previously from the OV10-A.

The F-8 came in low, with Cdr. Verich looking up for his target until he sighted it. The Sidewinder, following a low trajectory, streaked from the Crusader, till just before it seemed about to go under the flare, it suddenly shot up and into the target, rendering it into pieces.

The show was concluded with Marine Maj. John Robson demonstrating a ground rescue with his HU1E helicopter.

Following the firepower demonstrations, a team of local skydivers put on a skydiving spectacular. Each man had a flare attached to his boots, coordinated with the color of their chutes, and free-fell through space, finally popping open their chutes in a symmetrical arrangement of color and beauty as they aimed for a target spot on the ground. Of the 10 men who jumped from the helicopter and the OV10-A, 4 were right on target, and one other man was very close.

### Glider Demonstration

The air display was preceded by a lighter than air flight by the China Lake Soaring Club who showed off two different types of soaring planes. One, an all-aluminum plane, and the other a wooden aircraft, soared silently above the crowd and then landed on the runway a hundred feet or so in front of the crowd. The all-aluminum plane was towed into the air by a propeller-driven aircraft, and the wooden one by an automobile.

### Other Activities

The exhibits at Michelson Laboratory were visited by well over 7,000 persons on Armed Forces Day, nearly an 80 per cent increase over the previous year which showed 2, (Continued on Page 7)



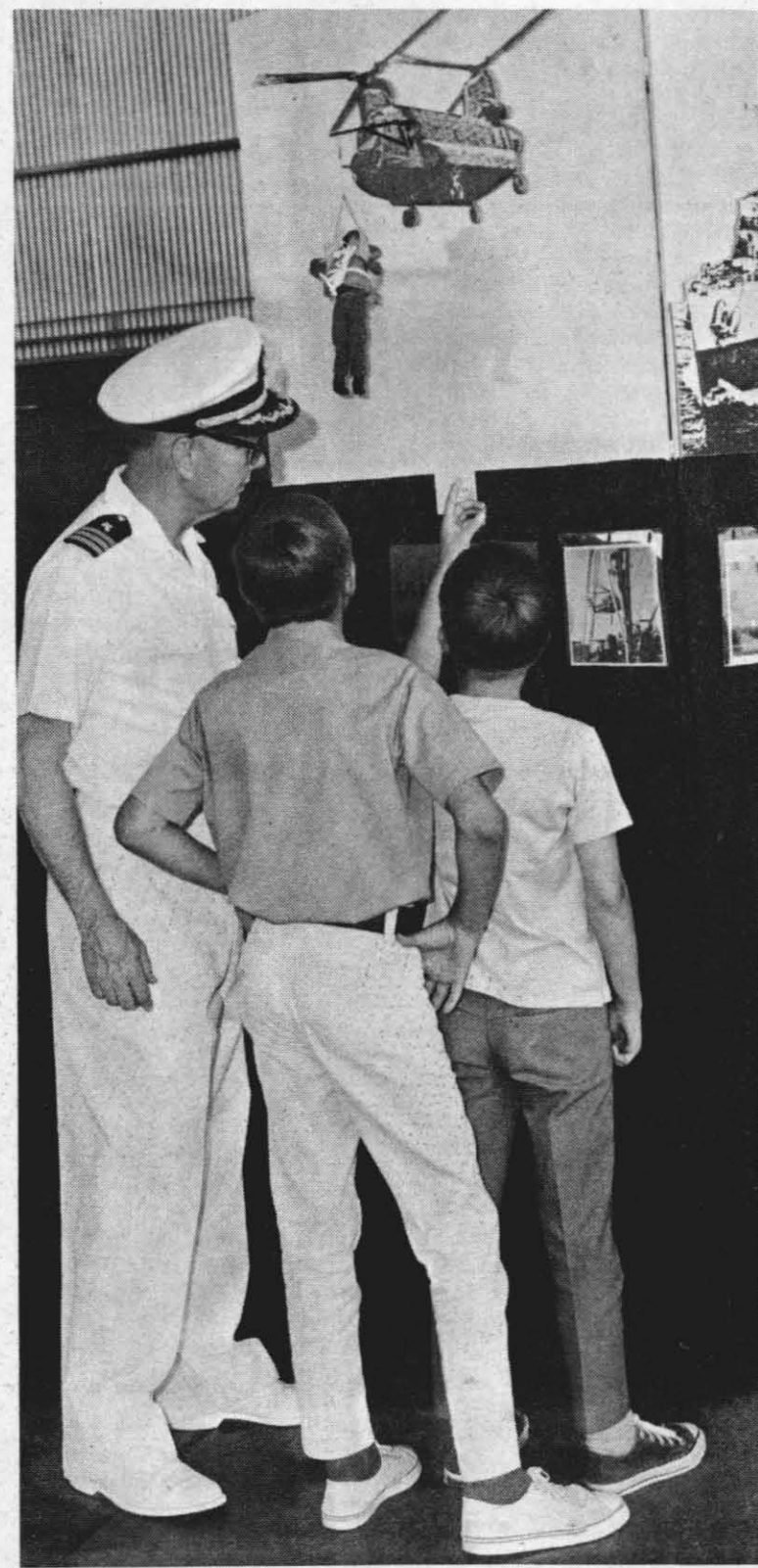
**BREAKFAST IS SERVED** — The local Kiwanis organization served a lot of pancakes at their annual Armed Forces' Day breakfast held at the Community Center.



**TRAILING SMOKE** — Old No. 32 had to hold his ears to hold out the noise of the A-7 that took part in the spectacular air display at the Naval Air Facility.



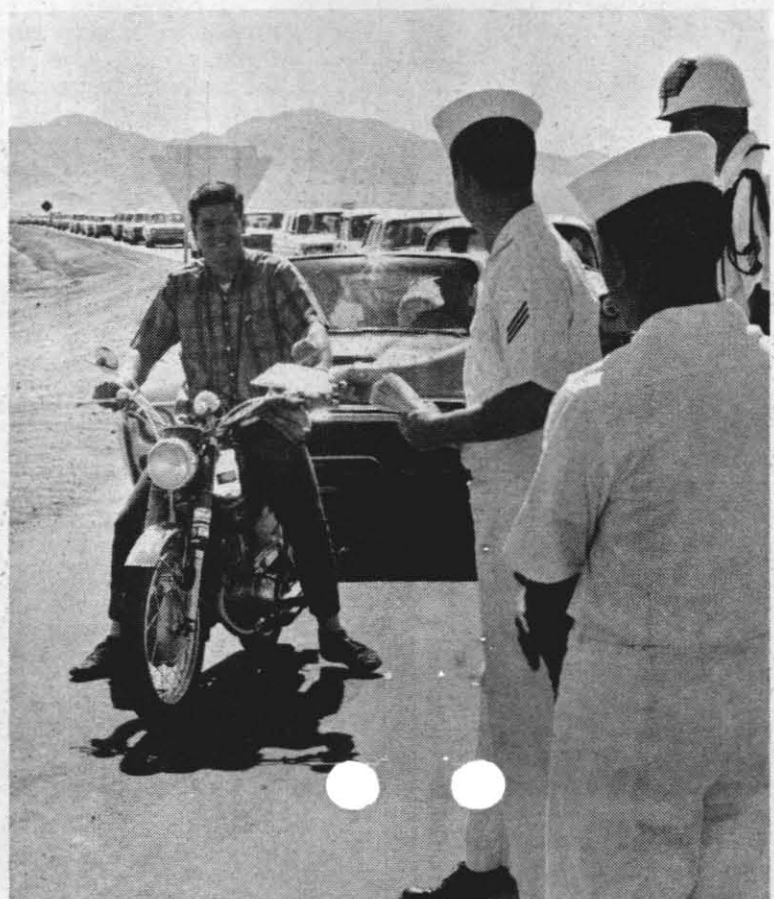
**WAR PARTY**—These Webelos pose cross-legged in front of their tent at the "Apollo Exposition" set up on Schoeffel Field for Armed Forces Day. Visitors to the Scouting Exposition saw local Scouts perform many skills throughout the day, giving exhibitions of merit badge talents and arranging displays in booths covering the entire field. A Court of Honor followed the Exposition at 6 p.m., where many awards were bestowed on outstanding Scouts of the District.



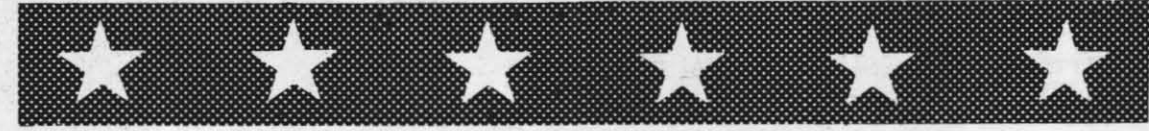
**GO ANYWHERE** — Chaplain Senieur explains the Chaplain Corps exhibit that was erected at NAF to two passersby.



**WEAPONS EXHIBIT CENTER** — Dorren Blackmon (l) and Liz Abplanalp, members of the Burroughs Pep Club were on hand at the Weapons Exhibit Center to view displays.



**TRAFFIC SLOW** — Automobiles and other vehicles of those who went to the Naval Air Facility found that getting there was half the fun. Mike Krause, Rocketeer photographer pauses above momentarily to get his program at NAF.



**MASQUERS SHOW** — Dr. Bill Teaford, accompanist for the visiting troupe, plants a kiss on Kitty Malone in a skit that was staged during the show. Joe Quinn (l) and Vince Barnett were also involved in this sequence. The exciting entertainment was offered twice that day at the Center Theater at 4 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

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800 visitors. Coordinators of the Michelson Laboratory displays reported that all of the displays were immensely popular with visitors and none lacked for audiences throughout the day.

Safety Department held four drawings for four pairs of safety shoes which were won by R. F. Connelly, an employee of Stauffer Chemical Co.; the Security Department of NWC, who plan to hold a drawing of their own to see who will win the pair of safety shoes; C. G. Ramos, of Lamont, Calif., and Al Harlan, of Ridgecrest.

Billie Hise of the Safety Department estimated that more than 45 gallons of lemonade were served to thirsty visitors, and many more gallons of coffee. She stated that all of the exhibits were popular, but the Fire Department exhibit of fire hazards in a mock-up of a house, and the Mine Rescue demonstrations, seemed to draw the most comment by the more than 1,000 people who looked over the Safety Department displays on Armed Forces Day.

More than 2,500 visitors viewed the displays at the Weapons Display Center and the Maturango Museum. Films that were shown and a button-display seemed to be the most popular exhibits.

### APOLLO EXPOSITION

At Schoeffel Field, one of the most successful events in the history of local Scouting took place as the Desert Division of the Southern Sierra Council held its "Apollo Exposition." The event was opened officially at 2 p.m. by local Scouting officials and Capt. R. Williamson, II, NWC Executive Officer, added some welcoming remarks.

The Exposition was highlighted by a District Court of Honor commencing at 6 p.m. Gordon Shumway, District Committee Chairman, officiated at the ceremonies.

The Order of the Arrow opened the Court of Honor with boys in full-blown Indian costumes. Jim Upson, District Commissioner, recognized the colors from all District units. Howard Allen, District Scout Executive, then recognized new Eagle Scouts in the District since the last Exposition.

Before awards were presented, Mike Muffley, a Neighborhood Commissioner, graduated Terry Tolliver, Cub Pack 803, into the Boy Scouts.

Carl Bishoff, a Neighborhood Commissioner from California City, then presented Star awards to the following Scouts: Eugene Tice, Tim Brown, Kevin Kunz and Bob Powell, all of Troop 411; Hank Earle and Rick Wills of Troop 112; Fred Whitfield of Troop 801; Paul Nielsen and Richard Sound of Troop 41; and Mike Johnson and Gary Corlett of Troop 848.

Judge "Tommy" Thompson, Justice Court, IWV Judicial District, presented Life awards to the following: Mike Sichey, Robbie Wilhelm and Fred Lane of Troop 112; James Backman and John Kleinschmidt of Troop 41; Paul Berdeaux of Post 68 and Paul Hape of Troop 848.

The Court of Honor was highlighted by an Eagle Scout (Continued on Page 9)